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1. INTRODUCTION

This first Quarterly Project Report on LINKABIT's contribution to the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) Internet Program covers the period from 22 December 1982 through 21 March 1983. The work was carried out at LINKABIT's Eastern Operations facility in McLean, Virginia. Contributing to the effort were David L. Mills, Project Engineer and Manager, and Zorica Avramovic, Senior Engineer. Robert Enger and Walter Roehr provided technical support and assistance, and Doreen Klein provided secretarial support.

LINKABIT's support of the Internet Program is concentrated in the areas of protocol design, implementation, testing, and evaluation. In addition, LINKABIT staff are providing integration and support services for certain computer systems to be installed at DARPA sites in Washington, D.C., and Stuttgart, West Germany.

During the period covered by this report, LINKABIT organized the project activities and established staff responsibilities. Several computers and peripheral devices were made available from Government sources for use in protocol development and network testing. Considerable time was devoted to installing this equipment, integrating the software, and testing it with the Internet system.

The VOS/BOS Fuzzball system was selected as the principle software tool for the protocol development and network testing. This system was implemented first at the University of Maryland and further developed at COMSAT Laboratories. A number of enhancements have been added by LINKABIT personnel for the specific needs of protocol development and network testing and, in addition, for operational use at DARPA sites. These enhancements are described later in this document.

An important part of LINKABIT's contribution to the Internet Program is support for occasional demonstrations and tests and attendance at regular meetings of the Internet Control and Configuration Board (ICCB), SATNET Program, Multimedia Program and Research Group (RG). LINKABIT provided support for a demonstration of the Internet system at a symposium sponsored by SHAPE Technical Center (STC) in November 1982, and LINKABIT personnel attended the ICCB, SATNET and RG meetings at DFVLR (Munich) in September 1982--both at no cost to the Government. During this reporting period, LINKABIT personnel attended the ICCB, SATNET and RG meetings at LINKABIT Headquarters (San Diego) in January 1983 and the ICCB and SATNET meetings at MIT (Cambridge) in March 1983.

Section 2 of this report summarizes specific items of progress, including the status of equipment integration, software enhancements, and testing activities. Section 3 briefly presents plans for the next quarter of the project, and Section 4 summarizes the DCNET architecture and implementation. The appendix provides a user reference guide for the system.

2. ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Accomplishments during the reporting period included the installation and test of a number of LSI-11 systems to be used as personal workstations, connected via the Distributed Computer Network (DCN) local network to the Internet system. In addition, software had to be adapted and configured for these machines. Finally, the system had to be tested with the Internet system and validated with other experimental systems and networks connected to the Internet system.

The principal issue to arise from the ICCB meetings was the early development and deployment of the Exterior Gateway Protocol (EGP), which is to be used to support gateways other than the Bolt Beranek and Newman (BBN) standard "core" gateways. An important activity during this period was directed toward the design of software modules to support EGP and coordination of the development with BBN and MIT personnel.

The network testing and evaluation effort focused on a set of experiments with the File Transfer Protocol (FTP) and on preparation for the STC demonstration. The results of these investigations provided insight into the problems often experienced in day-to-day operations over Internet system paths.

2.1. Equipment Integration

The Government-furnished equipment made available to LINKABIT included a number of LSI-11 computer systems, including video terminals, network interfaces, and special-purpose peripheral devices. Among the peripheral devices were a Dacom/Rapifax digital facsimile machine and a Lincoln Laboratories speech codec for use in multimedia system development. Communication equipment included 1200-bps dial-up modems and a set of error-control units (ECUs) for connection to an ARPANET IMP.

This equipment was assembled and integrated as a local network and connected to the ARPANET via the MITRE IMP in McLean, Virginia. The local network uses the DCN architecture, in which one of the LSI-11s is configured as a standard "core" gateway and another is configured as a program-development machine. In addition, two other LSI-11 systems were provided at no cost to the government and connected to the DCN for use in

general word-processing and network-testing applications. Additional modems and video terminals have also been provided from LINKABIT's capital equipment sources.

The local network has been designated DCNET and assigned the address 128.4 in the Network Information Center (NIC) data base. The LSI-11 hosts have been designated DCN1 (LINKABIT, DCN-GATEWAY) for the ARPANET gateway, DCN3 for the program-development machine, DCN5 for the word-processing machine, and DCN6 (BACKROOM) for the network-testing machine. All except DCN6 are interconnected by high-speed DMA interfaces, while DCN6 is connected by a 1200-bps dial-up circuit and DCN1 is connected to the MITRE IMP via a 9600-bps leased circuit.

One of the useful features of the DCN architecture used heavily in prior experiments has been the precision with which coordinated time can be maintained. This was ensured on a continuing basis as a result of the installation of an NBS radio clock. The clock contains a WWVB time-code receiver, microprocessor control, and serial interface. The device is now connected to the DCN1 host and used to synchronize--to within a few milliseconds--all DCN hosts through the local-network protocols.

2.2. Software Integration

The software integration effort included reconfiguration of the Fuzzball software to operate with a new network number plus certain changes and additions to the IP/TCP modules. In addition, several new features were added to support multiple users, new mail functions, and new services.

2.2.1. IP/TCP Modules

An IP reassembly function was added to the IP module. This function operates to reassemble fragments into a complete IP datagram in the following way: For TCP services, the fragments are linked together and passed to the TCP module where they are copied into the TCP reassembly buffer in user space for later delivery to the client process. For datagram services (e.g., UDP) the fragments are linked together and passed to the client process where they are copied into a user-space buffer as required. With this approach the fragments are not reconstituted in a linear buffer and do not require scarce buffer resources in the operating-system kernel.

The IP option interface was rebuilt to provide for user-specifiable options. A mechanism was provided for a user process to specify and interpret options. At the TCP level, a mechanism was provided to specify the TCP Max-Size option, which can be used to limit the maximum TCP segment size on a

per-connection basis. This mechanism was found necessary for communicating with the BBN VAX TCP implementation, which, in the absence of this option can use datagrams larger than 576 octets--the maximum size required by the IP specification.

2.2.2. New Services

New protocol servers for user-datagram protocol (UDP) time-server and name-server functions were added to the system. This required redesigning the user process interface and constructing the servers themselves. The time server is compatible with IEN-142 and provides time as a 32-bit quantity in seconds past midnight, 1 January 1900. It retains the accuracy of the DCN time-synchronization protocols, but has a resolution of one second. The name server is compatible with IEN-116 and provides the address of a host given as an argument in the request datagram. Both servers are supported by a single dedicated user process, which must be configured in each host where the service is required. Presently, DCN1 and DCN6 are so configured.

The new servers were tested with BBN (HP-3000), MIT (Multics), ISI (TOPS-20), and Purdue (VAX) implementations, as well as other Fuzzballs in the United States and Norway. Several bugs were found and fixed in various servers; however, some incompatibilities still exist: For instance, MIT name servers operate using a non-standard port. It also was found that times provided by various hosts are often grossly inaccurate, ranging up to five-minute discrepancies in some cases. A sidelight of these experiments was a calibration of the drift of the London power-grid frequency, as measured via a Fuzzball at University College London.

As part of the name-server development, considerable interaction was had with Network Information Center (NIC) personnel who are developing the NIC version of the name server. Assistance was extended by LINKABIT personnel on several occasions to provide host name/address information, to review and correct the data-base information, and to test the NIC (Foonly) server. Name servers and user programs (dubbed "name callers") were also tested with BBN (HP-3000) and MIT (Multics) hosts.

2.2.3. System Support

The most significant development was the completion of virtual-memory features for multiple-user support. These features provide for individually relocated user processes, each of which shares a common, re-entrant operating-system emulator. The emulator supports all features necessary to run the DEC RT-11 operating-system utilities, editors, compilers, and user programs.

Each of these user processes can run separate copies of the TELNET, FTP, and mail programs as well. Full 22-bit addressing is supported.

A new interprocess communication (IPC) system was installed to replace the bulky and slow existing system. The new system provides a two-fold increase in speed for asynchronous terminals and lines. In general, Fuzzballs with the new IPC system can sustain speeds of between 2400 bps (LSI-11/2) and 4800 bps (LSI-11/23) on a program-interrupt basis for any of several synchronous and asynchronous communication devices.

A driver for the Lincoln Laboratories Linear Predictive Codec Microprocessor (LPCM) was constructed for the DEC DPV11 serial synchronous line interface. This effort was the result of reliability problems with the Lincoln Laboratories interface and power supply formerly used for this purpose. The driver operates with file formats established by Carnegie Mellon in real time at speeds up to 4800 bps.

Support for the Peritek bit-map color display was rebuilt and new features were added. This device provides a 512 x 640 pel display with three bits per pel and a palette of 4096 colors. A common supporting module was constructed that provides vector-graphic emulation for the Tektronix 4000-series terminals, bit-map displays compatible with existing multimedia editors, and ordinary text in three fonts. This module was incorporated into the TELNET user program as an auxilliary output device and into a special graphics server for use with the ISI Briefing Aids system.

The TELNET user and server programs were considerably enhanced. Features to transmit and receive files via the TELNET connection were added to the TELNET user program. In addition features were added to the TELNET server to support several standard functions such as echo, test, discard, time, and others. The operator-intercom facility, often found useful in test coordination, was enhanced to provide transparent loading of speech interface units and other programmable devices via the TELNET connection. Full flow-control features were added to the serial-line drivers so that the Fuzzballs could be used as PADs to access other terminal and hosts via the TELNET connection. Finally, support for TELNET option negotiations was added to both user and server programs.

2.2.4. Mail System Support

Development of the electronic-mail system continued, with the conversion to SMTP (RFC-821) and new header formats (RFC-822).

The older MTP has now been phased out. Domain-style names are used in SMTP and are optional in the user-interface software. Many bugs were found and fixed, both in the Fuzzball software and in other systems.

The major new features of the mail system are the capabilities to answer and forward mail. These features operate similarly to the TOPS-20 MSG program. The "answer" feature involves parsing the header of a delivered message for recipient mailboxes. If the "Reply-to:" field does not exist, the address in the mandatory "From:" field is used. Other recipients are obtained by parsing the "To" and "cc:" fields depending on the specified option. The subject title is preceded by "Re:" to alert the recipients that this is a reply message. The user need only complete the body of the reply, after which the normal SMTP processing causes it to be sent.

The "forward" feature involves collecting a sequence of messages as specified by the user, appending comments, and affixing a header as determined by the user. The header is created as for any other regular message that needs to be sent. The body of the message is then entered by the user and is automatically followed by the forwarded message(s).

2.3. Support for DARPA Installations

As part of a planned installation in Washington, D.C., and Stuttgart, West Germany, a level of effort has been maintained to integrate these systems with the Fuzzball software. In addition, Fuzzball configurations were prepared (at no cost to the Government) for the STC demonstration and for several other organizations that requested them and received DARPA approval.

The STC demonstration involved a Fuzzball installed temporarily at The Hague, Netherlands, connected via leased line to a gateway at Royal Signals and Radar Establishment (RSRE) in Malvern, UK. The gateway provided connection to the UCL Gateway in London, then via SATNET to ARPANET service hosts. DCN local-net protocols were used above X.25 link-level (LAPB) protocols on the STC - RSRE path, with other established protocols being used elsewhere.

A device driver for the RSRE X.25 interface was constructed in support of this demonstration. The driver was integrated into a software package and sent for testing at BBN, who tested it using a system that will be installed in Stuttgart. The system was sent to The Hague for use in the demonstration and was subsequently shipped to Stuttgart. LINKABIT personnel assisted in testing and debugging, using the Internet system for remote debugging and directly by telephone.

The Stuttgart configuration supports six users, in addition to a multipurpose TCP server providing TELNET, FTP, and mail services. A configuration was completed and tested on DCN5. Subsequently, floppy disks were prepared and sent via DFVLR to Stuttgart for installation. Since special interfaces to connect the Stuttgart machine to the DCN clone now operating at DFVLR (Oberpfaffenhofen) are not yet available, a driver for the standard DEC DPV11 serial synchronous line interface was constructed and tested with other DCN clones connected via the DCN.GATEWAY DPV11s were then purchased for use on the Stuttgart - Oberpfaffenhofen link, and the drivers were integrated with the help of DFVLR personnel.

In response to the local need for a high-speed DMA serial synchronous connection for DCN hosts, as well as the need for a backup for the relatively expensive Associated Computer Consultants XQ/CP interfaces planned for use on the Stuttgart - Oberpfaffenhofen link, a driver for the new DEC DMV11 interface was constructed. The DMV11 utilizes an on-board microprocessor and ROM to implement the DDCMP link-level protocol used with their Digital Network Architecture (DNA) products and operates to 56 Kbps over either half-duplex or full-duplex links. The driver was tested with the DCN clone at Ford Motor Company and was subsequently put into full-time operation.

2.4. Gateway Protocols, Design, and Implementation

One of the main goals of the LINKABIT contribution to the Internet Program is to improve the understanding of the issues involved in deploying large, heirarchically structured networks. In the case of the Internet system, these issues come to focus in the design and implementation of the Internet gateway. Past development of the DCN architecture has resulted in a prototype gateway that supports all standard "core" gateway functions except the Gateway Monitoring Protocol (GMP). However, the standard Gateway Gateway Protocol (GGP) used to convey routing and connectivity information between the core gateways has been found inadequate for use in large, proliferated systems. The DCN prototype gateway has been used extensively as a tool to study the problems, instrument the performance and test the functionality of proposed improvements.

During this reporting period the DCN experimental gateway was modified to improve performance and to support new features required for the implementation of newly proposed gateway protocols such as the EGP. In particular, the network-routing function was redesigned, with implementation scheduled for the next quarter. The kernel-resident code has been moved to a dedicated user process for ease of debugging and to free needed kernel address space for editor buffers. Finally, the

gateway support module was rebuilt to operate with multiple routing algorithms and protocols running at the same time, with provisions for coupling routing information from one set of algorithms and protocols to the others in a controlled manner.

A prototype implementation of the new gateway support module was constructed and installed on the DCN6 network-testing host for evaluation. It now runs GGP with DCN-GATEWAY, but does not exchange significant routing information. Development will continue during the next quarter. Section 3 contains an outline of the architecture and functionality of the proposed model.

2.5. Experiments

Another important aspect of LINKABIT's participation in the Internet Program is a continuing series of network-testing experiments designed to validate protocol functionality, detect and resolve problems and assess network performance. These experiments have been useful in the development of new protocols and have built (or destroyed) confidence in intricate distributed protocol architectures, where a certain degree of experimentation has been necessary to establish conceptual feasibility and to refine the operational model.

During this reporting period, several experiments were conducted using the File Transfer Protocol (FTP) defined in RFC-765 and the DCN implementation, with peers represented by the BBN TOPS-20 implementation and the BBN VAX implementation. These tests were specifically designed to detect instances of protocol violations and to assess the performance of bulk-transport service via gateway paths.

The results in this initial suite of tests have been disappointing. The TOPS-20 implementation was found to be grossly defective in several areas, notably the connection-close sequence, which is vital for reliable data transfer in some modes, and the support for multiple-get/send sequences. In addition, the TCP connection parameters, such as initial retransmission-timeout, packetization, and retransmission strategy are unworkable on paths including low-speed tandem links such as found in some DCN links and in SATNET. Throughput experiments on paths between the NDRE (Norway) Fuzzball and the ISID TOPS-20 averaged about 1000 bps during the experiments, well below the 5000-6000 bps capability of that path. On the other hand, throughputs between the Purdue BBN VAX and the DCN1 fuzzball averaged about 5400 bps, which is near the maximum attainable with the 9600-bps ARPANET access line.

These experiments will be continued while efforts to fix the various implementations continue. It is expected that the TOPS-20 problems can be corrected by extending the retransmission timeouts and changing the parameters of the timeout-estimation algorithm.

Another experiment designed to test the capability of gateways connected by relatively slow access lines (9600 bps), such as the case with DCN-GATEWAY and NDRE-GATEWAY, revealed significant problems when routing-update "spasms" occur as all gateways in the system attempt to converge their routing tables in the face of loss of connectivity when a gateway fails. It was calculated and later confirmed by observation that the speed with which the gateway system could respond to sudden loss of connectivity was limited by the access lines.

In the case of the existing configuration, for example, the GGP messages required to converge the routing information required over 20 seconds of line time. Efforts are under way to alleviate this problem in two areas: Plans are being made to upgrade the DCN-GATEWAY access line to 56 Kbps and to convert DCN-GATEWAY to EGP, which does not suffer from this problem.

Finally, an ongoing experiment was continued with personnel at the University of Maryland in the development of IP/TCP support for the Univac 1100-series mainframes. This development, supported by the University at no cost to the Government, resulted in the development of IP/TCP capability as part of the EXEC-9 operating system for that machine. It was tested during this quarter using University-owned Fuzzballs and then with the LINKABIT DCN Fuzzballs. It is now in testing at the request of the U.S. Navy with other Internet hosts. In addition, collaboration with Ford Aerospace continued in the testing of IP/TCP support for the 3-COM Unix system for the VAX and with the Ford Motor Company in the resolution of issues involved in connecting DCN subnets to the system.

3. PLANS FOR THE NEXT QUARTER

The most important goals for the next quarter of this project to implement a EGP gateway to test the functionality of the EGP specification RFC-827 and to work out the details of the protocol itself. Experiments are to continue with FTP in order to assess the effectiveness of TOPS-20 changes and to improve throughput, especially on SATNET paths. Finally, efforts will continue to upgrade the Fuzzball system and to integrate new features required by the DARPA installations.

4. DCNET ARCHITECTURE AND IMPLEMENTATION

The DCNET Fuzzball system consists of a network architecture together with a software implementation developed over the last several years by LINKABIT personnel under DARPA sponsorship. It has been used extensively for testing, evaluation, and experimentation with other systems in the defense and industrial communities conforming to the DARPA Internet protocols. It supports virtual-terminal, file-transfer, electronic-mail and general-purpose program-development functions in PDP11 and LSI-11 computers with varying configurations and applications. The software implementation consists of a general-purpose operating system that emulates the DEC standard RT-11 operating system, together with a package of software modules operating at various levels relative to the ISO model. The system can be configured for several distinct functions, including terminal-access controller, internet gateway, general-purpose host, and programmer's workbench.

The Distributed Computer Network (DCNET) is a generic label for any of several network clones based on a technology developed first at the University of Maryland and continuing in recent years under DARPA's Internet Program. The primary application of the DCNET is as a vehicle for experimentation and evaluation of novel protocols and network architectures--in particular, the various protocols developed by the Internet Program.

A DCNET clone consists of a number of PDP11-compatible hosts with both general-purpose peripherals and special devices including bit-map graphics displays, digital facsimile machines and speech codecs. The hosts, sometimes called "fuzzballs," are generally used as single-user personal computers, although multiple-user configurations can be readily supported with the requisite hardware. A typical configuration includes an LSI-11/2 or LSI-11/23 with 30K to 124K words of memory, dual floppy or Winchester disk drives, network interface device, and operator terminal.

DCNET hosts can be connected by a variety of communication links and interface devices, including simple point-to-point synchronous and asynchronous serial lines, 16-bit parallel interfaces, and ARPANET 1822 interfaces using both program-interrupt and direct-memory-access hardware. Some configurations utilize a contention-bus cable system for this purpose. Automatic routing, configuration-control, and time-synchronization features are common to all configurations.

Various DCNET clones have been established in several configurations and connected either directly to an ARPANET IMP or SRI Port Expander or indirectly via a MACRO-11 Internet Gateway to the internet system. In addition, a DCNET host can be

configured to act as an internet terminal-access controller, port expander and/or gateway in addition to performing normal host functions.

The following subsections generally describe the DCNET Fuzzball system and include an overview of the system architecture and capabilities. Included also are references to other documents that describe the system in more detail, as well as short descriptions of the user-level protocol modules currently implemented.

4.1. IP/TCP Support Software

The software system consists of a package of MACRO-11 and C modules structured into levels corresponding to local-net, IP, TCP, and application levels, with user interfaces at each level (Figure 1). The IP level conforms to the RFC-791 specification, including fragmentation, reassembly, extended addressing, and options, but it does not interpret options. A full set of ICMP features compatible with RFC-792 is available, including destination-unreachable, timestamp, redirect, and source-quench messages. Destination-unreachable and source-quench information is conveyed to the user level via the TCP and raw-datagram protocol modules. Internet gateway (routing and non-routing) facilities compatible with IEN-109 (as amended) can be included on an optional basis. This support can be configured to include hierarchically structured gateways and subnets.

The TCP level conforms to the RFC-793 specification, including PUSH, URGENT, and options. Its structure is based on circular buffers for reassembly and retransmission, with repacketizing on each retransmission. Retransmission timeouts are dynamically determined using measured roundtrip delays, as adjusted for backoff. Data flow into the network is controlled by measured network bandwidth, as adjusted by source-quench information. Features are included to avoid excessive segment fragmentation and retransmission into zero windows. The user interface level provides error and URGENT notification, as well as a means to set outgoing IP/TCP options.

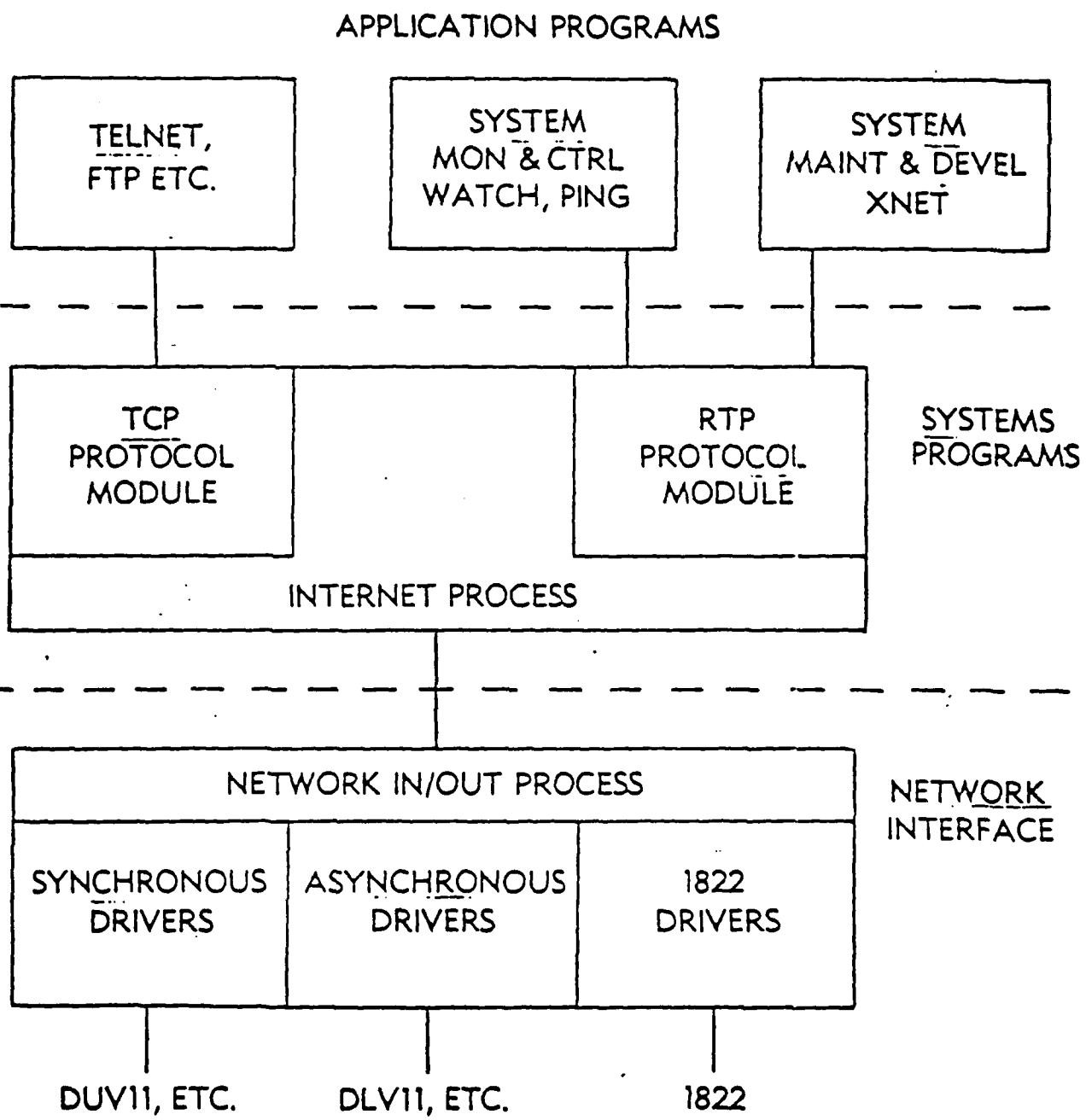


Figure 1. System Architecture

A raw-datagram interface is available for XNET (IEN-158), UDP (RFC-768), and similar protocols. It includes internal congestion and fairness controls, multiple-connection management, and timestamping. Protocols above UDP supported in the present system include time server (IEN-142) and name server (IEN-116). A number of user-level protocol modules above TCP have been built and tested with other internet hosts, including user/server TELNET (RFC-764), user/server FTP (RFC-765), user/server SMTP (RFC-821), and various other file-transfer, debugging, and control/monitoring protocols.

4.2. System Support Software

The operating system in which the IP/TCP functions are embedded includes an emulator for RT-11, a DEC operating system intended for single-user real-time applications. There are two versions of the system: The Basic Operating System (BOS) provides a single RT-11 background process and multiple individually relocated foreground processes in PDP11/LSI-11 processors without memory-management hardware; the Virtual Operating System (VOS), provides multiple background processes in separate virtual spaces in PDP11/LSI-11 processors with memory-management hardware. Both systems can run standard RT-11 system utility and application programs and support standard RT-11 program-development software; however, neither system requires a DEC license, unless RT-11 editors, compilers, or utilities are required.

The BOS is designed for a single-user LSI-11/2 system with 30K words of memory using a background process and optional foreground processes. The background process can support standard RT-11 programs and network server programs, including TELNET, FTP and SMTP. A foreground process can support some network user programs including TELNET. Both processes run at the same time, allowing virtual-terminal access to remote systems at the same time as mail transfers, for example. The VOS is designed for multiple-user or multiple-application LSI-11/23 systems with up to 124K words of memory using a virtual background process for each user or application. Each virtual process can support the full set of RT-11 programs and network user/server programs.

Either system supports a number of direct-access storage devices, including floppy disks, fixed and moving-head disks, several types of communication interfaces, and special-purpose facsimile and speech devices. Disks that are currently supported include the DEC RX01/2, RL01/2, RK05, RJS03/04, PDT-150, and several off-brand models. Standard ASCII-compatible terminals are

supported along with downline loading for remote machines. In addition, the Peritek VCG-Q Display Interface (bit-map graphics), Dacom/Rapifax 450 Computerfax (digital facsimile transceiver), and Lincoln Laboratories LPCM (speech codec) are supported in a prototype multimedia message system.

Code sizes and speeds depend on the system configuration and features selected. A typical 30K-word LSI-11/2 single-user configuration with all features selected and including the operating system, device drivers, and all buffers and control blocks, leaves about 16K words for user-level application programs and protocol modules. A typical 124K-word LSI-11/23 configuration provides the same service for up to seven individually relocated users. Disk-to-disk file transfers across a DMA interprocessor link between LSI-11/23s operate in the 40-50 Kbps range with 576-octet packets. The 124K-word PDP11/34 INTELPOST adaptation supports two 56-Kbps lines and a number of lower-speed lines.

4.3. Network Support Software

The DCNET architecture supports virtual hosts and adaptive routing. A DCNET physical host is a PDP11-compatible processor that supports a number of cooperating sequential processes, each of which is given a unique port Identification. Every DCNET physical host contains one or more internet processes, each of which represents a virtual host identified by a unique host ID, which can be changed dynamically. Each DCNET physical host is identified by a unique host number to detect loops in the routing algorithm that establish the minimum-delay paths between the virtual hosts.

Each virtual host can support multiple internet protocols, connections, and a virtual clock. Each physical host contains a physical clock that can operate at an arbitrary rate and a 32-bit logical clock that operates at 1000 Hz and is assumed to be reset each day at 0000 hours UT. The routing algorithm provides for the synchronization of logical clocks throughout each DCNET clone and its subnets to within, typically, a few tens of milliseconds.

Each link to any of a set of DCNET subnets or foreign nets is associated with a pseudo-host that is assigned a fixed-host ID. Subnet or foreign gateways can connect and reconnect to these links in arbitrary ways. Within the DCNET itself, the links connecting the various hosts can be configured automatically in arbitrary ways, as long as the net remains fully connected. If full connectivity is lost due to a link or host fault, the virtual hosts in each of the surviving segments can continue to operate with each other and, once connectivity is restored, with all of them.

Datagram routing from a physical host to each of the virtual hosts in the net is determined by tables that contain estimates of round-trip delay and logical-clock offset for all virtual hosts in the net. These estimates are updated by periodic messages exchanged on the links connecting physical-host neighbors. The updating algorithm is similar to that formerly used in the ARPANET and contains provisions for loop avoidance and host up/down detection.

4.4. Protocol Configurations

At this time and with certain minor exceptions, the DCNET Fuzzballs support a common set of low-level and high-level protocols designed to provide virtual-terminal, file-transfer and electronic-mail utility services that are compatible with other hosts in the DARPA Internet system.

4.4.1. Low-Level Protocols

Low-level protocols are a permanent part of the BOS/VOS operating system and serve as an interface to user application programs. The application programs are dynamically loaded automatically in response to a request by a remote internet host or manually as specified by a local user. The following is a list of the low-level protocols supported by the present implementation:

- Internet Protocol (IP): The IP supports all functions, but ignores IP options. Features include fragmentation, reassembly, and extended addressing.
- Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP): The ICMP is fully supported. Features include source-quench, unreachable, redirect, and timestamps.
- Gateway-Gateway Protocol (GGP): The GGP supports all functions, including extended addressing, but not Host Monitoring Protocol (HMP).
- Transmission Control Protocol (TCP): This supports all functions through a protocol module interface to user application programs. Features include dynamic retransmission timeouts, congestion controls, and URGENT.
- Datagram Protocols (UDP, XNET, etc.), also called Real-Time Protocol (RTP): This supports all functions through a protocol-module interface to user application programs.

4.4.2. High-Level Protocols

High-level protocols are supported by a set of application programs that are designed to run in ordinary user processes. These programs obtain ordinary system and file services using standard RT-11 programmed requests and a set of software modules called the RT-11 Emulator. Both sequenced (TCP) and datagram (RTP) access to the low-level protocol modules of the internet system is available using the same mechanism. The following is a list of the high-level protocols supported by the present implementation:

- Virtual Terminal Protocol (TN): User and server programs are compatible with a subset of RFC-764. The TELNET user program supports typescript functions and Tektronix 4000-series graphics using the Peritek VCG-Q bit-map color display. The server TELNET interfaces to the emulated RT-11 system to run ordinary system and user application programs. Features include option negotiation and interrupt.
- File Transfer Protocol (FTP): User and server programs are compatible with RFC-765 and can be used to exchange ASCII and image data with other Internet server and user hosts conforming to this specification.
- Network-Independent File Transfer Protocol (NIFTP): User program (only) can be used to exchange ASCII and binary data with other Internet server hosts conforming to the UK "Blue Book" specification.
- Simple Mail Transfer Protocol (SMTP): User and server programs are compatible with RFC-822 and can be used to exchange and forward mail with other Internet server and user hosts conforming to this specification.
- Operator Intercom (TALK): TALK IS supported by DCNET-specific user and server programs that link operators in foreign and local hosts via the operator terminal. It operates like TOPS-20 TALK facility, but does not require both operators to be on the same machine.
- Cross-Net Debugging Protocol (XNET): User and server program can be used to download remote hosts, port expanders, and gateways and as a simulated "bootstrap" for the XNET user program on some ARPANET service hosts.
- SIMP Monitoring Protocol (SMP): This server program can be used to decode, format, and display reports derived from the Atlantic SATNET SIMP monitoring messages.
- Network Measurement and Debugging Utilities (PING): User/server program can be used to measure and display

one-way and roundtrip delays with cooperating internet hosts, port expanders and gateways.

- o Name and Time Server Utility (NAME): This user/server program can be used to access remote name and time servers, display host-address mapping tables, and set the local clock from a remote host.
- o Other Utilities: These include server programs for echo, discard (sink), character-generator, and other similar testing utilities.

4.4.3. User Interface and Application Programs

Standard RT-11 language processors and system utilities (including KED, PIP, FORTRAN and others) operate in a DCNET host with the RT-11 Emulator in the same way they would in a native RT-11 system. However, some of the features useful in the native system are unavailable in the emulated system, including command files and some peripheral devices.

Several user application programs have been constructed for use in the BOS/VOS operating systems and also operate in the native RT-11 system. The following are the most useful of these:

- o Mail Utility Program (MSG): The MSG operates much like the TOPS-20 program of the same name to display and copy messages in standard "mail file" format. Most features of the TOPS-20 program are supported in the present implementation with the exception of the "answer" and "forward" functions.
- o Message Editor Program (SNDMSG): This can operate either in a stand-alone mode or as part of MSG. It solicits header information from the user and formats the message in standard format. Features include "include address list" and "include file" functions.

4.5. DCNET Systems at LINKABIT and Elsewhere

The original DCNET prototype was built under a DARPA contract at COMSAT Laboratories. Figure 2 shows its configuration, which consisted of several hosts located at COMSAT headquarters in Washington, D.C., and at COMSAT Laboratories in Clarksburg, MD. A gateway to ARPANET was located in Washington and a gateway to SATNET was located in Clarksburg. The net and its hosts were used as a testbed for the development of the local-net protocols and Internet support software as described in this overview and in the final COMSAT report to DARPA.

4.5.1. DCNET at LINKABIT

The prototype network has since been dismantled and relocated to LINKABIT Eastern Operations in McLean, VA. Figure 3 shows the configuration proposed for early 1983. At present all LSI-11 hosts except DECNET-GATEWAY are operational and running the DCNET software described above. Pending completion of Ethernet software drivers, these hosts are interconnected via point-to-point links using ARPANET 1822 DMA interfaces. An additional LSI-11 host is connected via 1200-bps dial-up line to DCN-GATEWAY, together with other networks at Ford Motor Company and the University of Maryland. The VAX-11/730 is scheduled for delivery in early 1983 and will run a VAX/Unix software package including IP/TCP modules from BBN.

The DECNET-GATEWAY, under development by an internally funded LINKABIT research program, is to serve as a gateway between DCNET and the cluster of TOPS-20 and VAX-11 machines located at LINKABIT Headquarters in San Diego. It will be connected by an existing 9600-bps link and replace a statistical multiplexor now used on that link. LINKABIT hopes to install IP/TCP software (under development now by DEC) on the TOPS-20 machines and connect one of them directly to DCNET using a satellite link as part of another internally funded research program. The DECNET gateway will eventually support virtual-terminal, file-transfer, and electronic-mail functions between Internet hosts and DECNET hosts. As resources permit, these functions will be extended to use X.25 public-network links as well as DECNET links.

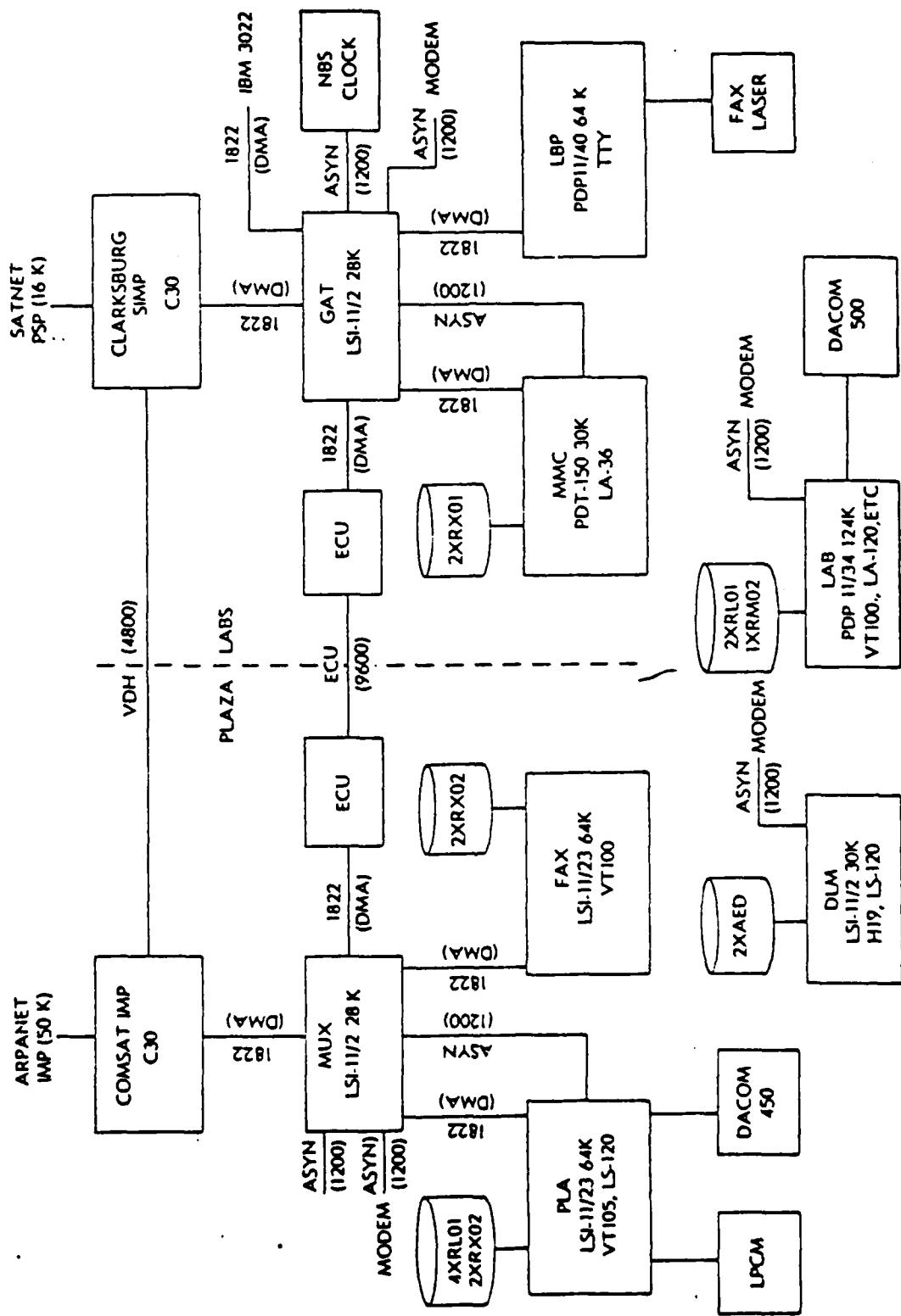


Figure 2. COMSAT DCNET Configuration

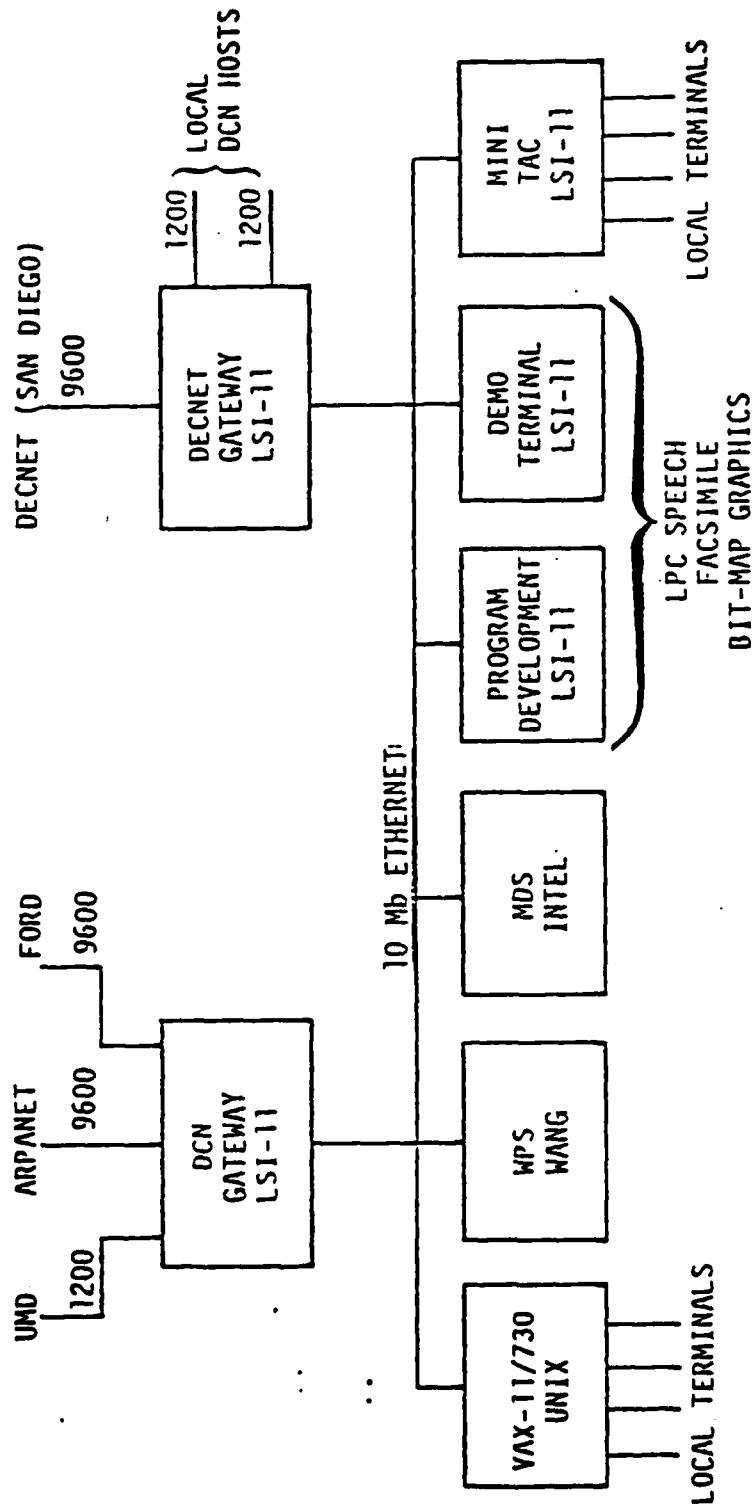


Figure 3. LINKABIT DCNET Configuration

The MINI-TAC represents what the ARPANET community calls a Terminal Access Controller (TAC) and what the public-network community calls a Packet Assembly/Disassembler (PAD). It is to function as a terminal concentrator and switching mechanism for all local terminals and hosts that are not accessible via the Ethernet. In principle, its function could be performed by the IDX switch if that device included the requisite protocol terminations, or by a suitably equipped LSI-11 host. An appropriate method has not yet been determined.

Figure 3 shows word-processing (Wang) and microprocessor-development (Intel) equipment connected to DCNET via the Ethernet. This is a speculative schematic; however, these and similar devices can be connected via serial asynchronous links and ad-hoc protocol modules.

4.5.2. DCNET Clones Worldwide

The DCNET architecture is in use for local nets in the United States and Europe and for international nets serving the United States, Europe, and South America. Figure 4 shows the known deployment of DCNET local nets connected to the DARPA Internet system. The Internet system employs three long-haul transport nets - ARPANET, SATNET and WIDEBAND (not shown) - providing connectivity throughout the United States and Europe. Not shown are the gateways that connect various local nets, shown as circles, to the transport nets, shown as ellipses. Hosts (either singly or in multiples) running DCNET software are shown as squares, with the prototype Internet gateway (developed as part of the LINKABIT-DARPA project) identified as "G".

Some of the local nets shown are structured as DCNET clones and use DCNET link-level protocols, as well as supporting software. In several cases the DCNET host software is used directly with other local-net architectures, including ARPANET, X.25, and contention-bus systems. DCNET clones include the following:

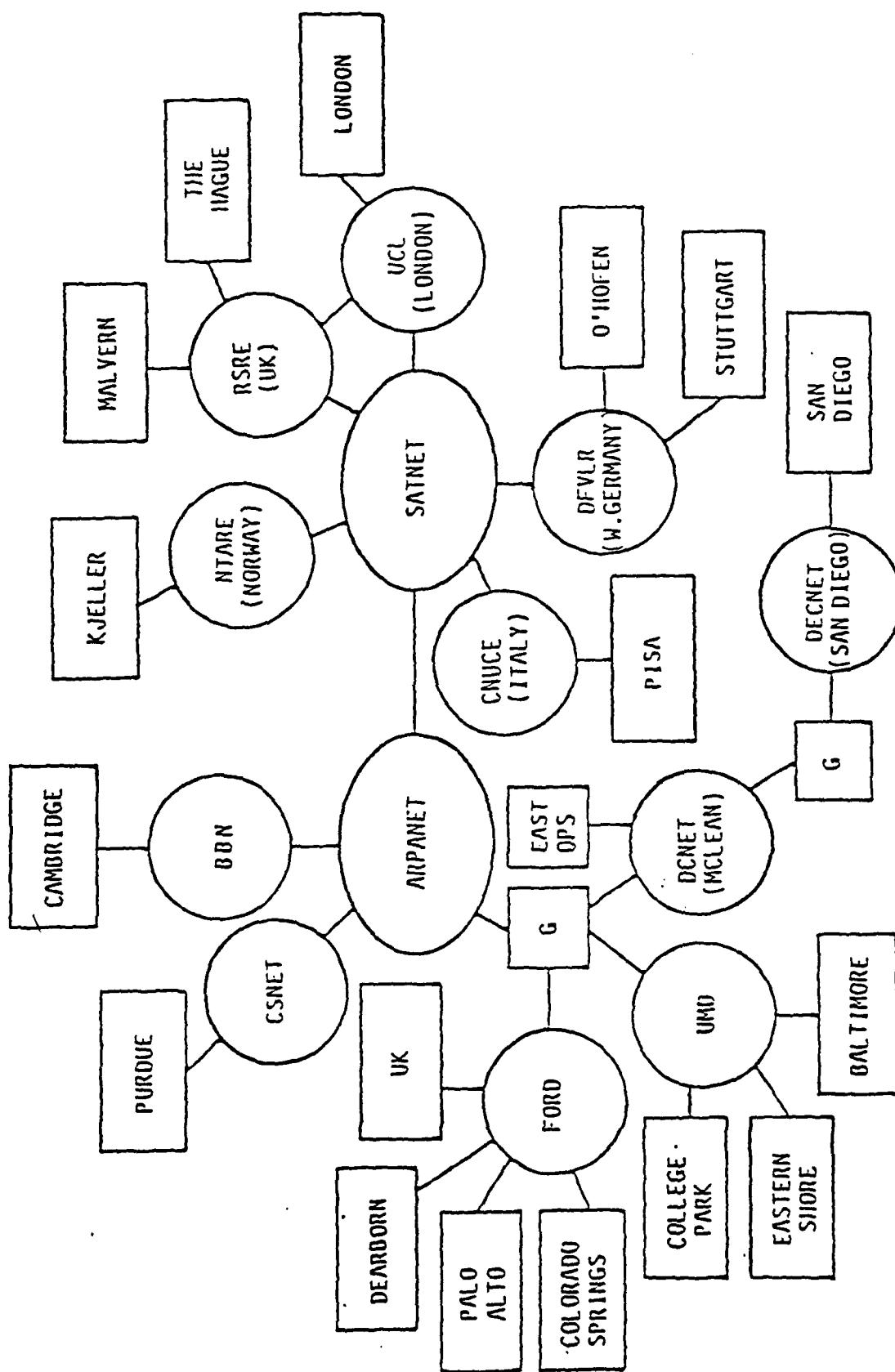


Figure 4. DCNET Clones Worldwide

- FORD (Ford Motor Company, including Ford Aerospace). Ford has established a corporate-wide network based on the DCNET architecture, including DCNET clones located as shown and interconnected by 9600-bps long-haul links and contention-bus local-area links. Ford has constructed in-house or has contracted supporting software for several different host systems, including DEC, IBM, and Honeywell machines and operating systems.
- INTELPOST (U.S. Postal Service and international counterparts) (not shown). The INTELPOST network, used for electronic-mail (facsimile) service between the United States, Europe, and South America, operates with DCNET protocols including IP/TCP and point-to-point links. The system uses a software package extracted from that developed for the DARPA Internet Program, together with high-level protocol modules developed for INTELPOST, and runs under the RSX-11 operating system.
- UMD (University of Maryland). UMD has established a three-campus DCNET clone including LSI-11, VAX-11, and Univac hosts to be used for general academic and research functions.
- NTARE (Norwegian Telecommunications Administration). This organization, in cooperation with the Norwegian MoD, has established a DCNET clone including two LSI-11 hosts connected to the Tanum (Sweden) SATNET earth station. It is used primarily for research and demonstration.
- DFVLR (West German counterpart of NASA). This organization has established a DCNET clone including three LSI-11 hosts to be connected to the Raisting SATNET earth station. Included on this network is a DARPA-owned LSI-11 host at Stuttgart. The net will be used for general research and demonstration, as well as for operational traffic between the Stuttgart host and domestic ARPANET hosts.
- CNUCE (Italian counterpart of NASA/NSF). This organization has announced plans to establish a DCNET clone at Pisa to be connected to the Fucino SATNET earth station now on order from COMSAT.

4.6. Fuzzball Configurations

Fuzzball systems have been configured for a wide variety of standard UNIBUS systems ranging from the PDP11/03 to the PDP11/70 and including memory to 256 kilobytes. Configurations for Q-BUS components have been assembled using the LSI-11/2 and LSI-11/23 processors as well. The following is a set of guidelines that may help in configuring new systems:

There are two standard configurations, one designed to support a single user using the LSI-11/2 processor and dual-floppy disk, and the other designed to support up to seven users using the LSI-11/23 processor and 30-megabyte Winchester disk. Either system can be distributed on two double-density diskettes. One diskette contains the files for the standard system, including certain files from the DEC RT-11 standard distribution. The other contains the files to generate special systems tailored for individual requirements. The entire set of sources necessary to generate the system can be distributed on four double-density diskettes.

Although it is, in principle, feasible to operate the system without any DEC RT-11 files, this is not recommended. These files provide system-utility functions, such as formatting diskettes, copying and editing files, and so forth. In addition, standard DEC RT-11 assemblers, compilers, and linkers are fully supported in the run-time system and are necessary for generating or reconfiguring the system under RT-11.

4.6.1. Standard Single-User Configuration

The standard single-user system includes the VT-103 video-display terminal, which serves both as the operator terminal and the power supply/backplane for the processor modules. The backplane is a 4 x 4 configuration and includes the following modules:

-----+-----+-----+	-----+-----+-----+
LSI-11/2 CPU with KEV11 EIS	MXV11-AC Multifunction
-----+-----+-----+	-----+-----+-----+
MSV11-DC Memory 32K bytes	RXV21 Disk Control
-----+-----+-----+	-----+-----+-----+
DRV11 Parallel Line Unit	SRI 1822 Interface
-----+-----+-----+	-----+-----+-----+
spare	spare
-----+-----+-----+	-----+-----+-----+

Bill of Material

- 1 VT103-AA LSI-11 Video Terminal
- 1 KD11-HA LSI-11/2 Processor Module
- 1 KEV11 EIS/FIS Chip for KD11
- 1 MSV11-DC Memory Module, 32K bytes
- 1 MXV11-AC Multifunction Module, 32K bytes RAM
- 1 MXV11-A2 Bootstrap PROM for MXV11
- 1 RXV21-BA Dual Floppy Disk Drive and Control Module
- 1 DRV11 Parallel Line Unit Module
- 1 SRI 1822 Interface Module for DRV11
- 1 SRI Cable Set for DRV11/1822 and 1822/IMP

Memory Map

000060	MXV11 line 1 interrupt vector (line 1)
000140	DRV11 (SRI 1822) interrupt vector
000264	RXV21 interrupt vector
000300	MXV11 line 0 interrupt vector (line 0)
176140	DRV11 (SRI 1822) control/status register
176500	MXV11 line 0 control/status register (line 0)
173000	MXV11 bootstrap PROM
177170	RXV21 control/status register
177560	MXV11 line 1 control/status register (line 1)

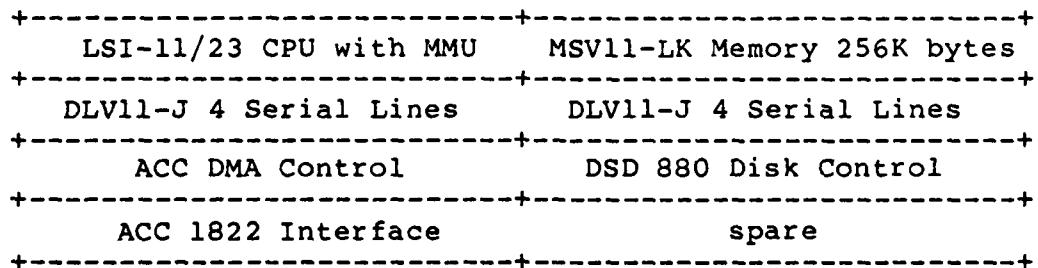
(Note: MSV11 strapped for 2K peripheral page)

The two MXV11 serial lines are connected to VT103 terminal ports, which provide connectors and speed selection. One of these (line 1) is used as the operator terminal, while the other (line 0) can be connected to a second terminal, a printer, or a modem. The standard configuration assumes this line is connected to a terminal or printer; however, this line can be configured as a DCN link to another system.

The standard system is configured for a single 16K-word user process, which can be used by the operator terminal or the network server, but not by both at the same time. Ordinarily, the operator manually enables the server function only when he is not actively using the system.

4.6.2. Standard Multiple-User Configuration

The standard multiple-user system includes the VT-103 video-display terminal, which serves both as the operator terminal and the power supply/backplane for the processor modules. The backplane is a 4 x 4 configuration and includes the following modules:

**Bill of Materials**

- 1 VT103-AA LSI-11 Video Terminal
- 1 KDF11-AA LSI-11/23 Processor Module with MMU
- 1 MSV11-LK Memory Module, 256K bytes
- 1 DLV11-J Serial Line Module, 4 lines.

1 DSD 880-30 Winchester/Floppy Drive
1 ACC MDMA/1822 Control/Interface Module Set
1 ACC Cable Set for MDMA/1822 and 1822/IMP

Memory Map

000060 DLV11-2 line 3 interrupt vector (line 7)
000140 ACC 1822 interrupt vector
000160 DSD RL02 interrupt vector
000164 DSD RX02 interrupt vector
000300 DLV11-1 line 0 interrupt vector (line 0)
000310 DLV11-1 line 1 interrupt vector (line 1)
000320 DLV11-1 line 2 interrupt vector (line 2)
000330 DLV11-1 line 3 interrupt vector (line 3)
000340 DLV11-2 line 0 interrupt vector (line 4)
000350 DLV11-2 line 1 interrupt vector (line 5)
000360 DLV11-2 line 2 interrupt vector (line 6)
173000 DSD bootstrap PROM
174400 DSD RL02 control/status register
176200 ACC 1822 control/status register
176500 DLV11-1 line 0 contro/status register (line 0)
176510 DLV11-1 line 1 contro/status register (line 1)
176520 DLV11-1 line 2 contro/status register (line 2)
176530 DLV11-1 line 3 contro/status register (line 3)
176540 DLV11-2 line 0 contro/status register (line 4)
176550 DLV11-2 line 1 contro/status register (line 5)
176560 DLV11-2 line 2 contro/status register (line 6)
177170 DSD RX02 control/status register
177560 DLV11-2 line 3 contro/status register (line 7)

(Note: MSV11 strapped for 2K peripheral page)

Two of the DLV11 serial lines are connected to VT103 terminal ports, which provide connectors and speed selection. One of these (line 7) is used as the operator terminal, while the other (line 6) can be connected to a second terminal, a printer or a modem. The standard configuration assumes this line is connected to a terminal or printer; however, this line can be configured as a DCN link to another system. The remaining six DLV11 lines should be configured for speeds no higher than 4800 bps and can be connected to local or remote terminals as required.

There are seven virtual user processes configured in the standard system, six with 14K words of memory and the seventh with 16K words. The seventh user process is ordinarily used for the network server and is not available for terminal use, unless the server function is manually disabled. This configuration ordinarily supports the operator terminal together with five local or remote terminals and a single network server. The number of network servers can be specified at run time without shutting down the system.

4.6.3. Nonstandard Configurations and Options

There are combinations of processors, memories, and peripheral options too numerous to detail. The following is a summary of options useful in the above standard configurations. These fall into four categories: processor options, communications options, disk options, and special options.

4.6.3.1. Processor Options

The KWV11 Programmable Clock can be included in addition to the ordinary line-frequency clock. This provides increased stability for the timekeeping function; however, the line-frequency clock continues to provide interval-timer functions. The line-frequency clock also can be configured with or without a control/status register. Support is available for either the Spectracom or True-Time radio clock, which interface via serial line and require the KWV11.

MSV11 memories, including the memory-parity feature can be supported. If a memory-parity fault occurs in a user process, the program is notified by interrupt.

4.6.3.2. Communications Options

Either the SRI 1822 or ACC MDMA/1822 (or a mixture of both) can be included in either standard configuration. Up to four 1822 line cards can be supported on a single MDMA card. These devices and several others can be used to interconnect Fuzzballs on a DCNET local net. These devices include:

- Serial asynchronous lines using various models of the DLL1, DLV11 and DC11 line units at speeds up to 4800 bps. The protocol conforms to the DCNET specifications and uses character-stuffing and envelope conventions similar to IBM BSC.
- Serial synchronous lines using the DUL1, DUV11, DP11, DPV11 and DMV11 serial line units at speeds up to 4800 bps (56K bps for the DMV11). The protocol is similar to the above for all devices except the DMV11, which implements the DEC DDCMP.
- Parallel lines using the DRV11 parallel line unit. An adapter box is required to connect two DRV11s back to back.
- CSMA/CD Ethernet using the 3-COM and (non-Ethernet compatible) Ford LNA interfaces. (3-COM support is not yet complete.)

- o X.25 (level 2) using the RSRE serial line unit at speeds to 56K bps.

4.6.3.3. Disk Options

Several disks can be supported, either singly or in combination. The disks that are currently supported include the DEC RKV11/RK05 and DEC RLV21/RL01/RL02 cartridge disks, DEC RH11/RJS03 fixed disk, DEC RXV11/RX01, DEC RXV21/RX02, PDT-150 and AED 6200 floppy disks, USDC CSS-1 and SMS Winchester disks, as well as compatible disks of other manufacture.

4.6.3.4. Special Options

Support is available for digital facsimile storage and retrieval at speeds up to 4800 bps. This requires the Dacom/Rapifax 450 Computerfax and a DEC DUV11 synchronous line unit. Support is also available for digital speech storage and retrieval at 2400 bps. This requires Linear Predictive Codec (LPC) equipment conforming to the LPC-10 specification and a DEC DPV11 synchronous line unit. In addition, support is available for bit-map display hardware using the Peritek VCG-Q interface.

APPENDIX FUZZBALL USER INFORMATION

This Appendix consists of a set of descriptions of various Fuzzball components that are of interest to the user and applications programmer. The entries are sequenced alphabetically in the same format used for the on-line HELP facility.

BINCOM Binary compare program

SYNTAX

```
BINCOM                       ;invoke BINCOM.SAV
*[listfile][,SIPPfile]=oldfile,newfile[/options]
*...                         ;* is CSI prompt
*^Z                         ;exit to CLI
```

SEMANTICS

See the RT-11 System User's Guide

OPTIONS

/B	Compares bytes instead of words
/D	Compares two entire volumes
/E:n	Ends comparison at block n
/H	Prints help information on terminal
/O	Creates a difference listing file or SIPP command file even if no differences between the input files are found
/Q	Suppresses terminal output of differences
/S:n	Starts comparison at block n

EXAMPLES

None

BU_P **Backup Utility Program**

SYNTAX

```
BUP ;invoke BUP.SAV
* filespec|[/options]= filespec|[/options]
*... ;* is CSI prompt
*^Z ;exit to CLI
```

SEMANTICS

See the RT-11 System User's Guide

OPTIONS

/I	Backs up a large volume on multiple smaller volumes
/L	Lists directory of a backup volume
/X	Restores a large file or, with /L, a large volume from multiple backup volumes
/Z	Initializes a volume for backup
no option	Backs up a large file on multiple smaller volumes

EXAMPLES

None

CRMAIL Create Mail File

SYNTAX

CRMAIL ; invoke CRMAIL.SAV
| filespec| blocks| ;| is CRMAIL prompt

SEMANTICS

This program creates a mail file with name filespec| and length blocks|. The file is initialized with the first byte set to SUB (^Z) and the remaining bytes set to zero.

OPTIONS

None

EXAMPLES

CRMAIL
|unsent.msg 500

DIR Directory Program

SYNTAX

```
DIR                                       ; invoke DIR.SAV
* filespec [/options]    ;* is CSI prompt
* ...
* ^Z                                      ;exit to CLI
```

SEMANTICS

See the RT-11 System User's Guide

OPTIONS

The syntax of date is dd.:mmm:yy. where dd-day,
mmm-month, yy-year

/A	Lists the directory alphabetically
/B	Includes starting block numbers in directory listing
/C:n	Lists directory in n columns; n can be 1 to 9
/D:date	Includes only files with date
/E	Lists entire directory, including unused spaces
/F	lists short format directory in five columns
/G	Lists directory entry of specified file and all subsequent directory entries
/J:date	Lists files created on or after date
/K:date	Lists files created before date
/L	Lists volume directory in order of entry
/M	Lists unused areas
/N	Lists directory summary
/O	Gives sizes and block numbers in octal
/P	Lists all files except those you specify
/Q	Lists deleted files
/R	Sorts directory in reverse order; use with /S
/S:xxx	Sorts directory listing; xxx can be DAT, NAM, POS, SIZ or TYP
/T	Lists only protected files
/U	Lists only unprotected files
/V:ONL	Includes volume ID and owner name as part of directory listing; with ONL lists only ID and name

EXAMPLES

None

DUMP File Dump Program

SYNTAX

```
DUMP                       ; invoke DUMP.SAV
* filespec[/options]= filespec[/options]
* ...
* ^Z                      ;* is CSI prompt
                          ;exit to CLI
```

SEMANTICS

See the RT-11 System User's Guide

OPTIONS

/B	Outputs octal bytes
/E:n	Ends output at block n
/G	Ignores input errors
/N	Suppresses ASCII output
/O:n	Outputs only block n
/S:n	Starts output at block n
/T	Defines a magtape as non-RT-11 file structured
/W	Outputs octal words
/X	Outputs Radix-50 characters

EXAMPLES

None

DUP Device Utility Program

SYNTAX

```
DUP                                       ;invoke DUP.SAV
* filespec|[/options]    ;* is CSI prompt
*...
*^Z                                       ;exit to CLI
```

SEMANTICS

See the RT-11 System User's Guide

OPTIONS

/B:RET	Writes FILE.BAD entries over bad blocks; use with /Z; with RET, retains FILE.BAD entries created on previous initialization
/C	Creates a file; use with /G:n
/D	Restores previously initialized volume
/E:n	Specifies last block number; use with /I or /K
/F	Prints names of bad blocks; use with /K
/G:n	Specifies starting block number; use with /C, /I, or /K
/H	Verifies after copying; use with /I
/I	Copies image of one volume to another
/K	Scans a device for bad blocks
/N:n	Defines number of directory segments; use with /Z; n can be 1 to 37 (octal)
/O	Boots a volume or file (not supported in BOS/VOS)
/Q	Boots a volume that is not RT-11 V4 or later; use with /O (not supported in BOS/VOS)
/R:RET	Scans volume for bad blocks and creates a block replacement table; with RET retains previous table (not supported in BOS/VOS)
/S	Consolidates free space on a volume
/T:n	Extends a file by n blocks; n free blocks must follow the file
/U:DEV	Writes bootstrap into blocks 0, 2 through 5 of a volume; DEV is the volume name (not supported in BOS/VOS)
/V:ONL	Prints user ID and owner name; use with /Z to write new directory, ID and name on volume; with ONL, writes only the a ID and name
/W	Waits for volume to be mounted before executing the command
/X	Prevents automatic reboot after using /S on system device
/Y	Suppresses query messages
/Z:n	Initializes device directory; n is the number of extra words in each directory entry

EXAMPLES

None

FAX*

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SYNTAX

SCANNING

```
PIP      (* is CSI prompt)
* filespec|=FAX:
*...
*^Z      (exit to CLI)
```

PRINTING

```
PIP      (* is CSI prompt)
*FAX:= filespec|
*...
*^Z      (exit to CLI)
```

SEMANTICS

The RAPICOM 450 Computerfax Facsimile Transceiver scans and prints documents at 200-lpi resolution (1726 pel x 2200 pel raster). It uses a two-dimensional adaptive run-length compression algorithm. See the ENCODE and DECODE programs to convert between this representation and CCITT T.4 or bit-map representation.

Facsimile files can be transferred between Internet hosts using the FTP program (using IMAGE mode).

OPTIONS

None

EXAMPLES

```
ftp dcn2
220 DCN2.ARPA FTP Service (16-Apr-83 Version) 21-May-83
*login user password
230 User user logged in at 21-May-83 21:04:03
*get sy:startf.com x.y
?FTP-I-Transfer begins SY:STARTF.COM[1] to local
DK:X.Y[1000]
?FTP-I-Transfer complete 1 blocks, 11 sec (372 bps)
*send x.y
?FTP-I-Transfer begins DK:X.Y[73] from local DK:X.Y[1]
?FTP-I-Transfer complete 1 blocks, 6 sec (682 bps)
*rename x.y y.z
200 File DK:X.Y renamed DK:Y.Z
*delete y.z
200 File deleted DK:Y.Z
*quit
221 DCN2.ARPA Closing
```

FILES **File Specifications and Formats**

SYNTAX

logname|: filename|. extension|[size|]

SEMANTICS

All programs operate with RT-11 file formats and either file-structured or sequential devices. RT-11 files are block-structured with a block size of 512 bytes. There are two types of files: ASCII and IMAGE. ASCII files consist of a stream of 7-bit ASCII characters stored in eight-bit bytes with the high-order bit set to zero. During transmission, the NUL and DEL characters are discarded, and the SUB character terminates the transfer. IMAGE files consist of a stream of eight-bit bytes with all bits significant. In both cases data are zero-filled to a block boundary before writing to the device.

Files and devices are named according to RT-11 conventions in the following syntax:

logname|: filename|. extension|[size|]

where logname| is the logical device name, consisting of up to three alphanumeric characters, filename| is the file name, consisting of up to six alphanumeric characters including \$, extension| is the file extension, consisting of up to three characters including \$, and size| is a decimal integer used to specify the maximum file size in blocks.

The logical device name (together with the colon) is optional and defaults to DK:, which is the name of the standard RT-11 work volume. With certain exceptions transfers can be specified to or from either file-structured or sequential devices. In the latter case the name, extension and size are ignored. Logical device names are bound to physical devices by the CLI command ASG.

The size| specification (together with the braces) is optional and applies only to new or replacement files to be stored on file-structured devices, not to files that are to be stored on sequential devices or to be read. The algorithm used to establish the maximum size of a file is as follows: If the size| specification is missing or zero, half of the largest hole on the volume is allocated. If it is a negative number, then the entire extent of the largest hole is allocated. Otherwise, the number of blocks specified is allocated in the first hole.

large enough to contain them.

OPTIONS

None

EXAMPLES

None

FRUN **Foreground Loader Program**

SYNTAX

```
FRUN filespec|               ; invoke FRUN.SAV  
* filespec|                ;* is CSI prompt  
;exit to loaded program
```

SEMANTICS

The foreground loader is used to load programs linked to run in an RT-11 foreground or in a system job with or without overlays. These programs usually have the .REL extension and contain relocation information along with the program text. This program would be used ordinarily only in systems without memory-management facilities and when one or more foreground processes have been configured in the system.

OPTIONS

None

EXAMPLES

None

FTP File Transfer User Program

SYNTAX

FTP	;invoke FTP.SAV
...	
QUIT	:exit to CLI
	:or
FTP hostname	;invoke FTP.SAV and execute an
	;implied CONNECT hostname
...	:command
QUIT	:exit to CLI

SEMANTICS

The File Transfer Protocol (FTP) functions are provided using two programs: the FTP User and the FTP Server. The FTP User runs in interactive mode on a DCNET host. The FTP Server normally resides at some other host and is activated upon receipt of a TCP connection on port 20. The FTP User is controlled by user commands in the same way as the Command Language Interpreter (CLI) and other user programs. It in turn controls the FTP Server by standardized server commands, with the actions taken indicated by standardized replies. These programs operate with the protocol described in RFC-765 and can be used with other implementations conforming to this protocol.

A file transfer operation proceeds by first opening a control connection to a remote host using the CONNECT command and then to its operating system using the LOGIN command. In the case of the DCNET FTP Server, the LOGIN sequence is supported, but the specified user name and password are ignored. Following the connection phase, the SEND and GET commands are used to transfer files to and from the remote host as required. For each transfer, a data connection separate from the control connection is established by the remote server. The sender closes the connection to signal end-of-file and terminate the transfer. The QUIT command is used to close the control connection and exit to the CLI.

The FTP User prompt is "*", which signifies that the program is ready for the next command. The first prompt appears when the herald is received from the FTP Server following the CONNECT command. Subsequent prompts appear as each command sequence is completed with the FTP Server. Prompts will not appear following commands that have only local significance or in which errors are detected.

FTP transfers can be in either ASCII (default) or IMAGE

mode. (see the FILES help information for relevant file structures). ASCII mode is compatible with all implementations of RFC-765 servers known at this time. In the case of IMAGE mode with the TOPS-20, however, care must be taken to assure that 8-bit bytes are stored four per 36-bit TOPS-20 word. This is assured if the TYPE L 8 command is used, rather than the TYPE I command (see the IMAGE command below).

OPTIONS

ABORT

If a file transfer is not in progress, do nothing. If it is, abort the transfer, send the ABOR command to the Server and wait for it to close the data connection.

ASCII

The ASCII and IMAGE commands set the mode for subsequent file transfers. The default is ASCII. In the case of the IMAGE command, a TYPE I command is sent to the server unless an optional argument is present, in which case a TYPE L bytesize| command is sent, where bytesize| is the argument. In all except unusual cases bytesize| should be 8. This feature is included to support the TOPS-20.

ASG filespec|

Assign the local work volume DK: for subsequent file transfers to filespec|. See the VOLUMES help information for further details.

BRIEF

The BRIEF and VERBOSE commands control output of detailed commentary dialog. BRIEF disables this and VERBOSE enables it. The default is BRIEF.

CONNECT hostname|

Open a control connection to host hostname|.

CWD filespec|

Assign the working directory on the remote host for subsequent file transfers to filespec|.

DELETE remotename|

Delete the file remotename| on the remote host. The remotename| must contain no more than 40 ASCII printing characters.

DIRECTORY directory| localname|

Open a data connection to the remote host previously specified by the CONNECT and LOGIN commands. Then transmit a list of the files in directory| on the remote host to localname| on the local host. The directory| must contain no more than 40 ASCII printing characters. When operating with the DCNET FTP Server, it must be a valid RT-11 file name and can include wildcards in the same manner as the RT-11 DIRECTORY command. The localname| must be a valid RT-11 file or sequential

device name.

DISCONNECT
If the control connection does not exist, do nothing.
Otherwise, send the QUIT command to the Server and wait
for it to close the connection.

GET remotename| localname|
Open a data connection to the remote host previously
specified by the CONNECT, LOGIN and ASCII/IMAGE commands.
Then transfer the file remotename| on the remote host to
localname| on the local host. The remotename| must
contain no more than 40 ASCII printing characters, while
the localname| must be a valid RT-11 file name or
sequential device name. If localname| is missing,
assume the string remotename| in its place.

HELP
Display helpful information, including a list of
commands.

IMAGE
(see the ASCII command)

LOGIN user| password|
Log into the remote host previously specified by the
CONNECT command as user| with password|. Both user|
and password| must contain no more than 40 ASCII
printing characters.

QUIT
Execute an implied DISCONNECT command and exit to the
CLI.

QUOTE ...
Send the remainder of the command line to the remote host
via the control connection.

RENAME fromname| toname|
Rename the file fromname| on the remote host to
toname|. Both fromname| and toname| must contain no
more than 40 ASCII printing characters.

ROUTE hostname1| hostname2| ...
Specify the Internet source route as the sequence
hostname1| hostname2| ... (up to nine).

SEND localname| remotename|
Open a data connection to the remote host previously
specified by the CONNECT, LOGIN and ASCII/IMAGE commands.
Then transfer the file localname| on the local host to
remotename| on the remote host. The localname| must be
a valid RT-11 file or sequential device name, while the
remotename| must contain no more than 40 ASCII printing
characters. If remotename| is missing, assume the
string localname| in its place.

SHOW
Display a formatted summary of various quantities of
interest, including the current host, file and block
number.

VERBOSE
(see the BRIEF command)

EXAMPLES
None

FTPSRV **File Transfer Server Program**

SYNTAX

See RFC-765.

SEMANTICS

The FTP Server is designed to be compatible with the protocol specified in RFC-765. It is invoked by the TELSRV program upon receipt of a TCP connection on port 21. Commands consist of four characters, only the first three of which are significant. Replies consist of a three-digit code, the first of which indicates the status of the request according to the following codes:

- lxx The action requested has begun. Additional server commands can be given to initiate unrelated actions.
- 2xx The action requested has been completed successfully.
- 3xx Additional commands are necessary to specify completely the action requested.
- 4xx The action requested was aborted due to an error condition believed to be temporary. The command may be tried again at a later time.
- 5xx The action requested was aborted due to an error condition believed to be permanent.

FTP transfers can be in either ASCII (default) or IMAGE mode (see the FILES help information for relevant file structures). ASCII mode is compatible with all implementations of RFC-765 servers known at this time. In the case of IMAGE mode with the TOPS-20, however, care must be taken to ensure that 8-bit bytes are stored four per 36-bit TOPS-20 word. This is assured if the TYPE L 8 command is used, rather than the TYPE I command (see the TOPS-20 documentation).

OPTIONS

ABOR

If a data transfer is not in progress, return a 200 reply code. If a data transfer is in progress, signal the data connection to close and return a 426 reply code, flushing data received meanwhile. When the connection closes return a 226 reply code.

CWD filespec|

Assign the work volume DK: on the local hosts for subsequent file transfers to filespec|. See the VOLUMES help information for further details.

DELETE filespec|

Delete the file filespec| on the local host, where filespec| must be a valid RT-11 file name. Reply code

200 is returned.

HELP Display helpful user information, including a list of FTP Server commands. All but the last line returned have reply code 111. The last line returned has reply code 211.

LIST directory| Open the data connection and transfer a list of files in directory| on the local host to the FTP User host. The directory| must be a valid RT-11 file name and can include wildcards in the same manner as the RT-11 DIRECTORY command. Reply code 150 indicates the transfer has begun and that a 2xx, 4xx or 5xx will be returned when the transfer terminates. The transfer terminates normally with a 226 reply code when the FTP Server closes the data connection and abnormally with a 4xx or 5xx reply code in all other cases. In the list of files returned each file name is on a separate line followed by size and date information.

MODE code| Set the transfer mode for subsequent data transfers to code|. Currently, code| must be S (STREAM), which is also the default. Reply code 200 is returned.

NLST directory| Open the data connection and transfer a list of files in directory| on the local host to the FTP User host. The directory| must be a valid RT-11 file name and can include wildcards in the same manner as the RT-11 DIRECTORY command. Reply code 150 indicates the transfer has begun and that a 2xx, 4xx or 5xx will be returned when the transfer terminates. The transfer terminates normally with a 226 reply code when the FTP Server closes the data connection and abnormally with a 4xx or 5xx reply code in all other cases. In the list of files returned each file name is on a separate line terminated by CR| LF| with no other information on the line.

NOOP Do nothing. Reply code 200 is returned.

PASS password| Syntax check only (for compatibility). Reply code 230 is returned.

PASV This command is used only in special situations involving a third-party transfer to indicate that the FTP Server should listen on a data connection and to return the host and port of this connection in the reply code. Note that the data connection is not opened at this time, but will be opened in passive mode as necessary by subsequent data-transfer commands. The reply code returned is:

227 Entering passive mode. h1,h2,h3,h4,p1,p2
where h1,...,h4 is the host and p1,p2 is the port with
the same interpretation as the PORT command.

PORt h1,h2,h3,h4,p1,p2
This command is used only in special situations involving
a third-party transfer to specify the host and port for
the data connection. The host is specified by the four
decimal integers h1,...,h4 and the port by the two
decimal integers p1,p2. All six of these integers must
have values in the range 0-255. Note that the data
connection is not opened at this time, but will be opened
in active mode as necessary by subsequent data-transfer
commands. Reply code 200 is returned.

QUIT
Close the control connection and exit to the CLI. Reply
code 226 is returned.

REIN
Reinitialize the program status as it was upon initial
entry. Reply code 330 is returned along with the FTP
Server herald.

RETR filespec|
Open the data connection and transfer filespec| on the
local host to the FTP User host. The filespec| must be
a valid RT-11 file or sequential device name. Reply code
150 indicates the transfer has begun and that a 2xx, 4xx
or 5xx will be returned when the transfer terminates.
The transfer terminates normally with a 226 reply code
when the FTP Server closes the data connection and
abnormally with a 4xx or 5xx reply code in all other
cases.

RNFR filespec|
Begin a file-rename sequence specifying filespec| on the
local host as the existing file. The filespec| must be
a valid RT-11 file name. Reply code 333 is returned,
indicating that the RNTO command must follow.

RNTO filespec|
Conclude a file-rename sequence begun by the previous
RNFR command and specifying filespec| on the local host
as the new file. The filespec| must be a valid RT-11
file name on the same device specified by the previous
RNFR command. Reply code 200 is returned.

STAT
Display a formatted summary of various quantities of
interest, including the current host, file and block
number. All but the last line returned have reply code
114. The last line returned has reply code 214.

STOR filespec|
Open the data connection and transfer a file from the FTP
User host to filespec| on the local host. The

filespec| must be a valid RT-11 file or sequential device name. Reply code 150 indicates the transfer has begun and that a 2xx, 4xx or 5xx will be returned when the transfer terminates. The transfer terminates normally with a 226 reply code when the FTP User closes the data connection, and abnormally with a 4xx or 5xx reply code in all other cases.

STRU code|

Set the file structure for subsequent data transfers to code|. Currently, code| must be F (FILE), which is also the default. Reply code 200 is returned.

TYPE code|

Set the representation type for subsequent data transfers to code|. Currently, code| can be A (ASCII), I (IMAGE) or L (IMAGE). The default when this command has not been given is A. Note that the specification permits an additional argument; however, it is ignored by the FTP Server. Reply code 200 is returned.

USER user|

Syntax check only (for compatibility). Reply code 331 is returned, indicating that the PASS command must follow.

EXAMPLES

See RFC-765.

GENERAL General Description

SYNTAX

Following is a summary of syntactic types

/options	RT-11 file specification options (see OPTIONS in HELP information)
address	Internet address (four fields separated by ",". Each field is a decimal integer in the range 0 through 255)
argument	Argument list (strings separated by SP and terminated by CR)
command	Command name (only the first three characters are significant)
devname	RT-11 physical device name
filespec	RT-11 file specification (see HELP information for FILES)
hid	Host ID (decimal integer in the range 0-n, where n depends on network)
hostname	Host name (registered in NIC data base HOSTS.TXT, or four fields as in address format).
logname	RT-11 logical device name (assigned by ASG command)
pid	Port ID (octal integer in the range 0-n, where n depends on configuration)

SEMANTICS

The DCNET internet software system has been developed with DARPA sponsorship over the last several years. The system has been used extensively for testing, evaluation, and experimentation with other implementations. It currently runs in a sizable number of PDPls and LSI-11s with varying configurations and applications. The system is designed to be used with the DCNET local network and BOS/VOS operating system for a multi-media internet workstation (called a "fuzzball"), which operates using emulation techniques to support the DEC RT-11 operating system and application programs. However, the system has also been used on other networks, including ARPANET, and with other operating systems, including RSX-11. An RSX-11 based version incorporating only the IP/TCP modules is presently used to support the INTELPOST electronic-mail network.

The software system consists of a package of MACRO-11 and C modules structured into levels corresponding to local-net, IP, TCP, and application levels, with user interfaces at each level. The local-net level supports several communication devices, including synchronous and asynchronous serial lines, 16-bit parallel links and 1822

interfaces. Hosts using these devices have been connected to ARPANET IMPs, Satellite IMPs, MACRO-11 Internet Gateways, SRI Port Expanders, and to the DCNET local network. When used on DCNET, the system provides automatic routing, time-synchronization, and error-reporting functions.

The IP level conforms to the RFC-791 specification, including fragmentation, reassembly, extended addressing, and options, but currently does not interpret options. A full set of ICMP features compatible with RFC-792 is available, including destination-unreachable, timestamp, redirect and source-quench messages. Destination-unreachable and source-quench information is conveyed to the user level via the TCP and raw-datagram protocol modules. Internet gateway (routing and non-routing) facilities compatible with RFC-823 can be included on an optional basis. This support can be configured to support hierarchically-structured gateways and subnets.

The TCP level conforms to the RFC-793 specification, including PUSH, URGENT, and options. Its structure is based on circular buffers for reassembly and retransmission, with repacketizing on each retransmission. Retransmission timeouts are dynamically determined using measured roundtrip delays, as adjusted for backoff. Data flow into the network is controlled by measured network bandwidth, as adjusted by source-quench information. Features are included to avoid excessive segment fragmentation and retransmission into zero windows. The user interface level provides error and URGENT notification, as well as a means to set outgoing IP/TCP options.

A raw-datagram interface is available for non-TCP protocols such as UDP (RFC-768). It includes internal congestion and fairness controls, multiple-connection management, and timestamping. Protocols above UDP supported in the present system include Time Server (IEN-142) and Name Server (IEN-116). Other raw-datagram services include XNET (IEN-158), GGP Gateway (RFC-823), along with developmental versions of an EGP Gateway (RFC-827) and a DECnet gateway.

A number of user-level protocol modules above TCP have been built and tested with other internet hosts, including user/server TELNET (RFC-854), user/server FTP (RFC-765), user/server SMTP (RFC-821), and various other file-transfer, debugging, and control/monitoring protocols.

Code sizes and speeds depend greatly on the system configuration and features selected. A typical 30K-word LSI-11/2 single-user configuration with all features selected and including the operating system, device drivers and all buffers and control blocks, leaves about 16K words for user-level application programs and protocol modules. A typical 124K-word LSI-11/23 configuration provides the same service to a half-dozen individually relocated users. Disk-to-disk FTP transfers across a DMA interprocessor link between LSI-11/23s operate in the range 30-50 Kbps with 576-octet packets. The 124K-word PDP11/34 INTELPOST adaptation supports two 56-Kbps lines and a number of lower-speed lines.

OPTIONS

None

EXAMPLES

None

HELP Lists Helpful Information

SYNTAX

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HELP                        ;invoke HELP.SAV
What topic do you want help with? argument|
                            ;...? is prompt
                            ; argument| has the form: topic
                            ;[ subtopic[:items...]]] or *
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SEMANTICS

- * lists the items for which help is available.
- CR| lists the HELP text (of which this is a part).
- topic lists information on the specific topic only.
- topic subtopic lists information on the specific subtopic only (for example, HELP HELP SEMANTICS lists the paragraph of which this text is a part).
- topic subtopic:item lists only the text associated with the specific item.
- topic/item lists the text associated with the specific item under the subtopic OPTIONS.

Subtopics are "SYNTAX", "SEMANTICS", "OPTIONS", and "EXAMPLES". Items are specific command options.

OPTIONS

None

EXAMPLES

None

HOST Host Process Commands

SYNTAX

SET devname| command| argument| ;CLI command

SEMANTICS

See USER process commands and GENERAL help information

OPTIONS

CMD

List the available commands. Additional information is available with the HELP program.

HOST hosnam| pid| delay| status|

Set the Host Table entry for the DCNET virtual host hosnam| to the values specified in the arguments. The Network Process PID is specified by the first argument, the roundtrip delay by the second, and the status by the last. If hosnam| is missing, simply display a summary of the entire table. If hosnam| is given with no arguments, display the table entry for that host. See Appendix C for a list of DCNET virtual hosts. Note that the Host Table is constructed automatically during normal system operations and that this command is provided only for exceptional circumstances.

IDENT hid| address|

Set the virtual-host ID for the master-clock host to hid|. If address| is given, set the internet address for the physical host to the address|.

MINIMUM lbound|

Set the minimum source-quench threshold to lbound|. ICMP source-quench messages will be returned to the sender if the number of free buffers falls below this threshold.

NET netnam| arglst|

Set the Network Table entry for the network netnam| to the values specified in arglst|. The only argument that can be specified at present is the virtual host HID for the gateway to that network. If netnam| is missing, display a summary of the entire table. If netnam| is given with no arguments, display the table entry for that network.

OFF code|

The ON and OFF commands can be used to set and clear bits in the options word of the parameter area associated with the process. The ON command sets the option bits corresponding to the one bits of code| (which is an octal value) to one, while the OFF command sets these bits to zero. Options for the host process are interpreted as the RT-11 configuration word, which is normally stored at relative location 300 in the monitor

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area (see RT-11 documentation).
ON code|
      (see the OFF command)
SHOW
Display a formatted summary of various quantities of
interest.
EXAMPLES
.set hos cmd
Commands are:
CMD   SHO   ON    OFF    ID    MIN    NET    HOS

.set hos hos
Host   PortID  Delay   Offset  Status  Leader
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DC6    002      0       0       119    000000000000

.set hos net
Net     Address          HostID  Hops   Leader
-----
ARP    [10.0.0.0]        0       0      0,0
DCN    [128.4.0.1]       6       0      0,0
WAS    [128.4.1.2]       14      0      0,0
SAN    [128.4.2.3]       11      0      0,0
FRD    [128.5.0.4]       13      0      0,0
UMD    [128.8.0.5]       12      0      0,0
NET    [0.0.0.6]         0       255    1,20

.set hos sho
Process type: 000030 options: 111001
Last clock update: 0 from: 1 reset: 00:00:00
Processes: 18
Vectors: 10
Nibbles: 29
Small packets: 0
Large packets: 12
Min packets: 2
Internet address: [128.4.0.6]
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INFORMATION General Information

SYNTAX

None

SEMANTICS

BOOTING

Mount the DCNET work volume on DK:. Mount an ordinary RT-11 system volume on SY:. The system volume should contain at least the following files:

PIP.SAV	Peripheral interchange program
DUP.SAV	Device utility program
DIR.SAV	Directory program
KED.SAV	Keypad Editor

and other system and application programs as desired. The work volume should contain at least the following files:

CLI.SAV	Command language interpreter
FRUN.SAV	Foreground process loader
TN.SAV	TELNET virtual terminal user program
TELSRV.SAV	TELNET virtual terminal server program
FTP.SAV	File transfer user program
FTPSRV.SAV	File transfer server program
SMTP.SAV	Mail transfer user program
SMPSRV.SAV	Mail transfer server program
MSG.SAV	Mail reader program
SNDMSG.SAV	Mail composition program

The following files will be useful for many applications:

NIFTP.SAV	Network-independent FTP user program
PING.SAV	Internet measurements user/server program
XNET.SAV	Internet loader/debugger user/server program
NAME.SAV	Internet name/time user/server program
GATEn.SAV	Internet gateway (special configuration)
NSP.SAV	DECnet gateway (special configuration)
VCGSRV.SAV	Peritek VCG display server
WATCH.SAV	SIMP monitor program
CRMAIL.SAV	Mail-file utility program
HELP.SAV	Help utility program
HELP.TXT	Help file (this file)

These files operate with all versions of the DCNET software, while MSG, SNDMSG, and CRMAIL operate with RT-11 as well. In addition, the work or system volume should contain the DCNET resident system file configured for the

particular hardware system on which it is run. This file and other RT-11 system components are used only to load the DCNET resident system and are not referenced after that.

Once the system and work volumes are mounted, load the DCNET resident system using the RT-11 RUN command. Be sure the real-time hardware clock is running. The system should come up with a message from TELSRV, indicating that it is listening for a connection. One or more prompt characters (".") may also appear. The system then begins to send HELLO messages to neighboring hosts and constructs its Host Table, which determines the routing to these and other hosts on the network. This may take a minute or two, during which time the SET HOST HOST command can be used to identify the other hosts as they come up. The SHOW command can be used to confirm the correct configuration of the processes and devices in the system and the SET HOST SHOW command to determine the resources in use. Once the Host Table has stabilized, the system is ready for use.

IN-CASE-OF-TROUBLE

In case of trouble, the following procedures may be helpful. The system can be restarted at any time from location zero, and then it will recompute the checksum of the read-only code and data areas and reinitialize all processes. In addition, an EOT (^D) function received from an operator terminal will do the same thing, as will the RESET command. Finally, the XNET Internet loader/ debugger can be used to send a special message to a remote system, causing the same action. These mechanisms are potentially hazardous, but in keeping with the uses, the DCNET software is likely to be put. Protection features may be incorporated into future versions.

CONFIGURATIONS

There are two versions of the DCNET resident system presently in use. One of these, called the basic system, supports up to 60K bytes of memory and PDP11 or LSI-11 processors without memory-management features. The other, called the virtual system, supports the maximum available memory and PDP11 or LSI-11/23 processors with these features. The standard basic system is configured for a 60K-byte LSI-11/2 with EIS and one 32K-byte background process. The standard virtual system is configured for a 256K-byte LSI-11/23 and up to seven 32K-byte virtual processes. The remainder of memory is used for the resident system and various storage areas.

PROCESSES

Processes are identified by three-character physical names, which appear in the SHOW and DEVICE command arguments and their responses. In the case of ordinary direct-access and sequential input/output devices, these names correspond to standard RT-11 conventions. In many cases, several instances of a particular process type may appear, in which case the final character will be a digit in the range zero through nine. Each process is identified by a port identifier, or PID, which appears as an argument in some commands. Following is a list of the current process types (n denotes a digit):

HOS	Host process
DCn	Internet process
DHn	Network process (ARPANET 1822 link)
DHn	Network process (DMV11 link)
LHn	Network process (serial synch or asynch link)
LNn	Network process (Ford serial LNA link)
LPn	Network process (Ford parallel LNA link)
RSn	Network process (RSRE X.25 interface link)
UCn	Network process (UCL HDLC interface link)
TTn	Terminal process operator terminal/line printer
BGD	Background user process
FGD	Foreground user process
VMn	Virtual user process
DXn	Disk process (RX01 single-density floppy disk)
DYn	Disk process (RX02 double-density floppy disk)
RKn	Disk process (RK05 disk cartridge)
DSn	Disk process (RH11/RJS03 fixed-head disk)
DLn	Disk process (RL11/RL01 disk cartridge)
FDn	Disk process (AED 6200 double-density floppy disk)
CSn	Disk process (USDC Winchester disk/tape cartridge)
SMn	Disk process (SMS Winchester disk)
FAX	Dacom 450 Facsimile process
LPC	LPCM packet speech process
UDP	Internet name/time server process
GAT	Internet gateway process
NSP	DECnet gateway process

As in RT-11, logical names can be associated with most of the above names using the ASG command.

VIRTUAL-HOSTS

Of fundamental importance to the DCNET architecture is the concept of physical and virtual hosts. A physical host is an ordinary processor with memory and a complement of direct-access and sequential devices. A

virtual host is a portable process that resides in a physical host. Virtual hosts are assigned names and 32-bit internet addresses as shown elsewhere. Each virtual host residing in a physical host is supported by an Internet process, the name of which is the name of the virtual host. The internet address of the physical host itself (necessary only to break routing loops) must be the address of one of its virtual hosts.

Virtual hosts are identified within DCNET by the host identifier (HID), which presently is taken as the fourth octet of the four-octet internet address. The particular virtual host supported by a given Internet process is determined by its HID, which can be changed by an operator command. When the HID is changed, the name is changed automatically as well.

TERMINAL-OPERATIONS

Operation of the standard DCNET terminal is like RT-11, but with some differences. Following is a list of the special keyboard functions (codes correspond to the standard ASCII interpretation):

Code	Echo	Function
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CR	CR-LF	End of line
SUB	^Z	End of file
DEL BS-SP-BS		Delete previous character
CAN	^U	Delete current line
ETX	^C	Interrupt
DLE	none	Begin escape sequence
EOT	^D	Panic reset (not in RT-11)
DC3	^S	Stop output
DC1	^Q	Resume output

The DCNET interrupt and end-of-file functions operate rather differently than their RT-11 counterparts. A single (not two) ETX function always causes an immediate termination of the program. A SUB function causes the emulated RT-11 Command String Interpreter (CSI) to return to the DCNET Command Language Interpreter (CLI). The DLE function introduces a special function sequence consisting of the DLE itself followed by a single character. If the following character is another DLE, a single DLE is placed in the input buffer. If it is a digit, the function performed is as follows:

- 0 Switch to channel 0
- 1 Switch to channel 1
- 2 Switch to channel 2

3	Switch to channel 3
4-9	Reserved

Operator terminals ordinarily are connected to user processes on a one-to-one basis. Usually channel 0 for each terminal is assigned the associated user process and the remaining channels assigned for special purposes, such as net servers. These assignments can be changed with the ASG command. The options in effect for each terminal can be specified with the SET command.

MEMORY-MANAGEMENT

In the basic system, the supervisor and all processes share the identity virtual-physical address mapping. The hardware vector area is followed by the working storage allocated to the background process. This is followed by the code and read-only storage areas for the resident system, including the supervisor and all processes. Next is the code and read-only storage areas for the RT-11 emulator, which is re-entrant, position-independent, and shared by all user processes. Following this is the parameter area containing tables and other information that can be accessed by the SET and SHOW commands. Finally are the buffers, state vectors, and stacks used by the various components of the system. The working storage for each foreground process is allocated as part of its state vector.

The virtual system is structured in a similar way, except that each user process has its own address mapping. Physical memory is organized as in the basic system, except that there is no working storage allocated to the background or foreground processes. Instead, the working storage for each user process is allocated in turn above the areas described in the previous paragraph. The supervisor and all processes except user processes operate in kernel space with identity virtual-physical mappings, except that segment 7 is mapped to the input/output page and segments 5 and 6 are used as windows to other spaces. Each user process operates in user space with its own working storage mapped to virtual space starting at location zero. Segments 6 and 7 of each user process are mapped to the RT-11 emulator and parameter areas, while segment 5 is used as a virtual window to other spaces. those functions that require it.

Within each user process in both the basic and virtual systems, memory is organized as in RT-11. In the background process the chain area starts at location 500, and the various "RMON areas" and emulator working storage

extends downward from the end of its allocated working storage. In the foreground processes the chain area starts at the first location of its allocated working storage. Virtual user processes appear as background processes. Features have been incorporated into the DCNET system to support re-entrant and position-independent load modules in both background and foreground processes.

EXAMPLES

None

INTERNET Internet Process Commands

SYNTAX

SET devname| command| argument| ;CLI command

SEMANTICS

See USER process commands and GENERAL help information

OPTIONS

CCB cid| code|

Display a summary of connection data from the Connection Control Block for connection cid|. If cid| is missing, display all open connections. The optional code| arguments, TRA and TCF, select additional displays applicable only to TCP. TRA displays a received packet trace, while TCP displays packet and signal counts by type.

CMD

List the available commands. Additional information is available with the HELP program.

IDENT hid|

Change the virtual host ID for the process to hid|. After this is done, the name of the process will change accordingly and the new routing information will circulate in the network. Once changed, the ID should not be changed again for at least two minutes, in order to allow old routing information to dissipate and to prevent loops.

OFF code|

The ON and OFF commands can be used to set and clear bits in the options word of the parameter area associated with the process. The ON command sets the option bits corresponding to the one bits of code| (which is an octal value) to one, while the OFF command sets these bits to zero. Options for the internet process are as follows:

12 NBS clock (OFF: disable, ON: enable)
13 Echo all datagrams (OFF: disable, ON: enable)

ON code|

(see the OFF command)

SHOW

Display a formatted summary of various quantities of interest.

SIZE size|

Set the maximum datagram size to size|, which must be a decimal integer in the range 20-576 (40-576 for TCP).

EXAMPLES

.set dc6 ccb

Connection ID: 051240 protocol: 006 state: 000007
 CCB format: 004000 max size: 256 protocol flags: 041
 Local addr: [128.4.0.6] 3072 Foreign addr:
 [128.4.0.6] 23
 Rate: 60 delay: 1055 RTD rate: 327 RTD delay: 17

```
.set dc6 ccb 4 tcp
Catenet source quench: 0
Catenet unreachable: 0
Input packets received: 66
  bad format: 0
  bad checksum: 0
  connection reset: 0
  dropped: 1
Accepted packets: 66
  null (ACK-only): 24
  text stored: 42
  duplicate: 0
  outside window: 0
SYNs processed: 1
FINs processed: 0
Error packets sent: 0
Control packets sent: 1
Text packets sent: 25
Retransmissions sent: 0
ACK-only packets sent: 43
Data avail sigs to user: 43
```

```
.set dc6 ccb 4 tra
Seq   ID     Start   Length  Window  Offset
-----
30005 30005  0       1       399     0
35905 35905  0       216    184     0
37888 37888  0       46      354     0
38955 38955  0       1       399     0
46288 46288  0       68      332     0
46772 46772  0       1       399     0
62172 62172  0       155    245     0
63372 63372  0       1       399     0
64969 64969  0       214    186     0
1200   1200   0       1       399     0
5183   5183   0       216    184     0
6966   6966   0       46      354     0
8050   8050   0       1       399     0
25616 25616  0       216    184     0
27533 27533  0       216    184     0
30150 30150  0       216    184     0
32250 32250  0       216    184     0
34350 34350  0       216    184     0
36450 36450  0      108    292     0
```

38050	38050	0	1	399	0
46283	46283	0	216	184	0
48133	48133	0	216	184	0

.set dc6 cmd

Commands are:

CMD	SHO	ON	OFF	ID	SIZ	CCB
-----	-----	----	-----	----	-----	-----

.set dc6 show

Process type: 000026 options: 000000

Host ID: 6 max conn: 8 max size: 256

Input packets: 156

timeouts: 0

net signals: 0

bad format: 0

bad checksum: 0

returned: 0

dropped: 0

Control msgs: 0

Output packets: 158

KED Keypad Editor Program

SYNTAX

```
KED                    ;invoke BKED.SAV
* filespec|[/options] ;* is CSI prompt
*...
*^Z                    ;exit to CLI
```

SEMANTICS

Termination of the Keypad Editor
[GOLD] [COMMAND] Prompt is Command:
EXIT [ENTER] to save current edit version
QUIT [ENTER] to terminate without saving edit
modifications

To define page size, screen size, and margin wrap
[GOLD] [COMMAND] Prompt is Command:

```
SET PAGE [ENTER] to number of lines per page
              (Default=Formfeed)
SET SCREEN [ENTER] to 80/132 characters per line on
              screen
SET WRAP [ENTER] to line length for auto right margin
```

OPTIONS

```
/A:n     Allocates n blocks for output file
/C       Creates a new file
/I       Inspects input file; does not allow changes
          No switch to edit file. A back-up file will be
          created with the extension .BAK
```

EXAMPLES

None

LIBR Librarian Program

SYNTAX

```
LIBR                                                 ;invoke LIBR.SAV
*[libraryfile][,listfile]=inputfiles[/options]
*...                                                 ;* is CSI prompt
*^Z                                                 ;exit to CLI
```

SEMANTICS

See the RT-11 System User's Guide

OPTIONS

/A	Includes in library directory all global symbols including absolute global symbols
/C	Allows multiple input lines
/D	Deletes a module from a library file
/E	Extracts a module from a library and stores it as a .OBJ file
/G	Deletes a global symbol from a library directory
/M:n	Creates a macro library from an ASCII input file and allocates n blocks for the macro name directory
/N	Includes module names in library directory
/P	Includes psect names in library directory
/R	Replaces modules in a library file
/U	Updates (inserts and replaces) modules in a library file
/W	Produces a wide (132 column) library directory listing
/X	Creates a library with multiple global definitions
//	Allows multiple input lines until next occurrence of //
no option	Assumes module insertion

EXAMPLES

None

LINK Linker program

SYNTAX

```
LINK ;invoke LINK.SAV
*[binfile][,mapfile][,stbfile]=objfiles[/options]
*... ;* is CSI prompt
*^Z ;exit to CLI
```

SEMANTICS

See the RT-11 System User's Guide

OPTIONS

/A	Lists global symbols in alphabetical order
/B:n	Sets bottom address of program to n; invalid with /H and /R
/C	Continues input on new line; do not use with //
/D	Allows duplicate library subroutines
/E:n	Extends root program segment to specified value
/F	Uses default FORTRAN library FORLIB.OBJ when linking
/G	Increases size of linker's library directory buffer
/H:n	Specifies highest address to be used by relocatable code; invalid with /B, /Q, /R, /Y
/K:n	Inserts value of n into word 56 of block 0 as virtual SETTOP high limit; n can be 1 to 32 (decimal); valid only with /V
/L	Produces output file in .LDA format; invalid with /R, /V
/M:n	Defines stack address
/N	Produces global cross-reference listing as part of load map
/O:n	Produces overlay structure; invalid with /L
/P:n	Changes amount of space that linker uses for library routines; default is 170
/Q	Specifies start address of up to eight root program sections; invalid with /R, /H
/R:n	Produces output in .REL format; n is the stack size; invalid with /B, /H, /K, /L, /Q
/S	Allows maximum memory space for linker symbol table
/T:n	Defines transfer address
/U:n	Rounds up a program section; n must be a power of 2
/V	Enables special XM monitor SETTOP and LIMIT features; invalid with /L
/W	Produces a wide load map listing (132 columns)
/X	Does not output bitmap if codes is below 400
/Y:n	Starts a program section on address boundary n; invalid with

LOGIN Assign User Private Volume

SYNTAX

login usernam

LOGIN Assign User Private Volume

SYNTAX

```
login username|            ;entered by user
Password: enter user password| ;host prompts for pw
                              ;or
login                        ;entered by user
Login: enter user name| ;host prompts for name
Password: enter user password| ;host prompts for pw
```

SEMANTICS

Users of DCN encounter the login procedure in two situations: When assigning a private virtual volume as the default device, or when using the virtual-terminal capability (TN) to use one host from another. In the first case, the usage is voluntary depending on whether a user wishes to use a private volume. If a private volume does not exist; if the user name and/or private volume are not registered in the login file; or if the system default is adequate (the default volume (DK:) can be determined with the DEVICE command), then the user might choose not to log in. (See the help information for SYSMGR if you wish to register a user name in the login file.) In the second case, logging in is not voluntary; rather it represents control of access to the DCN hosts, as well as a method for assigning private volumes.

OPTIONS

None, but see also the help information for LOGOUT.

EXAMPLES

```
.login smith
.Password:
(Note: the password is not echoed, and a message is given
only in the event of an error.)
```

[LOGOUT](#) De-assign User Private Volume

SYNTAX

logout ;entered by user

SEMANTICS

After a user has assigned a private volume using the LOGIN command, the default volume may be restored by typing LOGOUT.

OPTIONS

None, but see also the help information for LOGIN.

EXAMPLES

None

MESSAGES Message and Mail-file Formats

SYNTAX

See RFC-822.

SEMANTICS

The format of the ARPANET message data structures is described in RFC-822. In this model messages are sent by a user to a specified recipient in the format

username|@ hostname|, where hostname| is the name of a host and username| is the name of an user known to that host. The implied address, usually called a mailbox, is typically associated with a mail file belonging to the recipient. The mail file format used in the DCNET system is line-structured, with each line terminated by the ASCII sequence CR| LF|, and contains only ASCII printing characters and format effectors. Messages consist of a file header, which contains a character count, followed by the message itself. Messages are stored one after the other, with the last followed by an ASCII SUB| character for compatibility with other RT-11 components. Figure 1 shows the format of a typical message.

```
17-Sep-83 17:53:49,314;0000000000000000
MRCP to: Zorica@dcn5|
MRCP to: @dcn1:Gross@dcn5|
DLVD to: Mills@dcn6|
Return-path: Mills@dcn6|
Date: 17-Sep-83 17:53:25-UT
From: Mills@dcn6
Subject: Test message
To: Zorica@dcn5
cc: @dcn1:Gross@dcn5|, Mills@dcn6
```

Folks,

This message demonstrates RFC-821 and RFC-822 formats.

Dave

The first line is the file header. It includes the date, time, and count of characters in the message text and is followed by an array of twelve flag characters used by other programs of the message system. The message itself begins immediately following the CR| LF| that terminates this line and includes first the transport (RFC-822) header, followed by the message (RFC-821) header, and finally the text of the message itself. In the

above example, the lines beginning with MRCP and DLVD belong to the transport header, and the lines following that up until the blank line belong to the message header.

Mail files can be created in three ways: (1) By copying a mail file from a TOPS-20 or DCNET host as-is to a DCNET host, (2) by creating and appending a new message locally and (3) by receiving and appending a message from another host. Method (1) has been useful during testing and in cases involving large amounts of mail that can be bulk-transferred more efficient file-transfer protocols like FTP and NIFTP. However, TOPS-20 files do not include the transport header, so that messages sent from these files require manual intervention. Method (2) is implemented by an interactive mail editor, which operates much like the TOPS-20 SNDMSG program to construct and edit messages and append them, along with their transport and message headers, onto a specified mail file. Method (3) is implemented by the SMTP Server, which listens for messages from the network and appends them onto the UNSENT.MSG mail file.

OPTIONS

None

EXAMPLES

See above.

MSG Mail Reader Program

SYNTAX

```
MSG           ;invoke MSG.SAV
...           ;-| is prompt
Q(uit) or E(xit) or ^Z ;return to CLI
```

SEMANTICS

This module is part of the group of modules (SNDMSG, CRMAIL, SMTP) that form the mail system. The purpose of MSG is to examine and operate on messages that are stored in the mail file.

The program first attempts to open a given file that must be in the mail format (created by CRMAIL). If it succeeds, it creates a table that holds the information about each message. The information is : Offset to that message, and number of bytes in that message. After displaying the information about the file blocks:

A maximum of 500 file blocks are available of which 70 are in use.

it displays a prompt ' - '. The process is now ready to accept the user command. Every command is followed by a message sequence, which is composed of one of the following:

- 1) a number
- 2) two numbers separated by any non-numeric character
- 3) one of the following special sequence characters:

- A - All messages
- D - Deleted messages
- E - Examined messages
- I - All messages in inverse order
- N - Not examined messages
- U - Undeleted messages

The valid command characters and their operations are:

A - Answers to the specified message
The process first displays the header of the message-
Answer message:

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report(298char)

Then it chains to the SNDMSG process to form the answer message. Below are the prompt fields issued by the SNDMSG process:

From: -- enter user address

Reply-to (t or c): - Request for the address that will appear on the 'To:' line in the answer message. In every case, the address from the 'From:' field in the original message (the senders address) is entered on the 'To:' line. The following are the options for the 'To:' line:
[RET] - only the senders address
t - senders address and all the address in the 'To:' field of the original message
c - senders address, all the addresses in the original 'To:' field and all the addresses in the original 'Cc:' field.
Cc: - Additional address
Message:- text of the message

^Z terminates the message; the program then chains back to the MSG. Note that the user is not prompted for the subject. The answer messsage uses the same subject title that was in the original message prefixed by 'Re:'. The only time the user is prompted for the subject is when the original message does not have that field. (For more information check SNDMSG.)

- B - Backup, print previous message. It prints the message in the same format as in the t command
 - C - Print the information about the current message number and file name:
- Current message number is 36 of 37 messages in the file UNSENT.MSG. A maximum of 500 file blocks are available of which 70 are in use.
- D - Mark a given message sequence for deletion. The message remains part of the file until the file is updated.
 - E - Exit the program and update the open file. Examines all of the messages and deletes the ones that are marked for deletion.
 - F - Forward one or more messages. The process first displays headers of all the messages that have to be forwarded:

Forward message(s):

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After this, the process chains to SNDMSG, which will build the message that has to be forwarded. (Check SNDMSG for explanation of prompt fields.) The first part of the message text is the text that the user types in. The second part is the inserted forwarded message(s). Forwarded text is preceded by a line that says-

--- beginning of forwarded message ---

and ended by the line:

--- end of forwarded message ---

^Z will complete the message and chain back to MSG.

- G - Set the current message number to the one given.
- H - Print the header information of the given message sequence. Prints the message number, date, from filed and the first 30 characters of the subject field:
 - 1 09-Mar Mills at dcn3 COMSAT final report
- I - Include the byte count in the headers.
It is an ON/OFF switch giving either a prompt, length included, or length NOT included.
In the present implementation the length is always included.
- L - Create a listing file of the given message sequence. After entering the l command with the message sequence the process prompts for the file name:

List file name:
and then copies all the required message into the given file.
- N - Next; print next message.
Same action as the t command.
- P - Put a message from the open file into another file. The file created of the specified subset of messages is again in the mail file format.
- Q - Quit the MSG program.
Quits the MSG program, closing the mail file without

updating it. (See E command.)

S - Chain to SNDMSG.
Chains to SNDMSG process inorder to create a new message
(for more information see SNDMSG)

R - Use the given file as the active file.
It opens a message file. If another message file was
already active, it closes that file and issues a prompt:

Mail file name:

The new file becomes an active mail file

T - Displays a given message sequence to the console.

U - Unmark a given message sequence for deletion.

- Mark a given message sequence as examined.

-- Mark a given message sequence as not examined.

! - Search the file "UNSENT.TXT".

? - Type a list of valid command characters to the
console. Prints the text from the msg.hlp file.

OPTIONS

None

EXAMPLES

None

NEC* NEC Spinwriter Operator's Guide

SYNTAX

```
PIP ; invoke PIP.SAV
*LP:=NEC. ;* is CSI prompt
*...
*^Z ;exit to CLI
```

SEMANTICS

SETUP

```
Power-up printer
Set characters/inch. on switch SP to 10
PIP[RET]
*LP:=NEC.[RET]
*^Z
Select lines/inch and characters/inch on printer
For text files without page size defined
SET TTp PAGE nn[RET] p - LP: terminal number, nn -
lines/page
```

PRINTING

```
To set left margin use LM0, LM2, LM4, LM6 or LM8
To set page size use PG72 for 6 lines/inch and PG96 for 8
lines/inch
RUNOFF[RET]
*LP:=PG72,LM0,FILENM.RNO for 6 lines/inch and left margin
at 0
*^Z
For text files with formfeed 'FF' for pages
PIP[RET]
*LP:=FILENM.EXT
*^Z
```

OPTIONS

None

EXAMPLES

None

NETWORK Network Process Commands

SYNTAX

SET devname| command| argument| ;CLI command

SEMANTICS

See USER process commands and GENERAL help information

OPTIONS

CMD

List the available commands. Additional information is available with the HELP program.

IDENT address|

Set the address assigned to the link to address|. that these values are constructed automatically during normal system operations and that this command is provided only for exceptional circumstances.

OFF code|

The ON and OFF commands can be used to set and clear bits in the options word of the parameter area associated with the process. The ON command sets the option bits corresponding to the one bits of code| (which is an octal value) to one, while the OFF command sets these bits to zero. Options for the network process are as follows:

- 10 Link enable (OFF: enable, ON: disable)
- 11 Loop detect (OFF: enable, ON: disable)
- 13 External loopback (OFF: disable, ON: enable)
- 14 HELLO messages (OFF: disable, ON: enable)

ON code|

(see the OFF command)

SHOW

Display a formatted summary of various quantities of interest.

SIZE size|

Set the maximum fragment size for outbound datagrams to size|. If size| is missing or is greater than the maximum permitted by network, assume the maximum (usually 256 octets). Note that the size ordinarily is set at the maximum and that this command is provided only for exceptional circumstances.

EXAMPLES

.set lh0 cmd

Commands are:

CMD	SHO	ON	OFF	ID	SIZ	STA
-----	-----	----	-----	----	-----	-----

.set lh0 sno

/H
/Z:n
//

Sets unused location to n
Allows multiple input lines; use on first and
last lines of input

EXAMPLES
None

Process type: 000027 options: 040000
Subnet: DCN status: 0 min buf: 0 retry: 3750
Foreign address: [0.0.0.0] max size: 256
Input packets: 0
 bad format: 0
 bad checksum: 0
 returned: 0
 dropped: 0
 HELLO msgs: 0
ICMP msgs: 0
Output packets: 29
Input errors: 0
Output errors: 0
No buffer: 0

NIFTP Network-independent File Transfer Program

SYNTAX

NIFTP	;invoke NIFTP.SAV
...	
QUIT	;exit to CLI

SEMANTICS

The Network-Independent File Transfer Protocol (NIFTP) has been the object of an ongoing standardization effort in the United Kingdom. The current specifications are given in a document called the Blue Book published by the National Physical Laboratory in 1980. A subset of this protocol is supported for file transfers between DCNET hosts and certain TOPS-20 ARPANET hosts using two programs, the NIFTP User, a PDP11 program written in the C language by Steve Treadwell, and the NIFTP Server, a TOPS-20 program written in the BCPL language by Chris Bennett, both of University College London.

The NIFTP User runs in interactive mode on a DCNET host. The NIFTP Server resides at a TOPS-20 ARPANET host (presently USC-ISIE) and is activated upon receipt of a TCP connection on port 47. The NIFTP User is controlled by user commands in the same way as the Command Language Interpreter (CLI) and other user programs. It in turn controls the NIFTP Server by the protocol specified in the Blue Book. These programs can also be used with other implementations conforming to the Blue Book protocol.

A file transfer operation proceeds by first specifying the remote host using the CONNECT command, and then the user name and password using the LOGIN command. Following this, the SEND and GET commands are used to transfer files to and from the remote host as required. For each transfer a connection is established to the NIFTP Server, which verifies the user name and password and establishes the working directory, following which the file transfer takes place. At the conclusion of the file transfer the connection is closed. The QUIT command is used to exit to the CLI.

The NIFTP User normally controls all connection and file-transfer operations. The syntax of NIFTP User commands is similar to that of CLI commands and consists of a keyword followed by a list of arguments separated by spaces. Only the first three characters of a keyword are significant. In the case of some commands expecting two file names as arguments, if the second argument is

missing a copy of the first argument replaces it. Ordinarily this convention leads to the intended action; however, there are cases where misdirected use of this feature can result in unintended actions.

The NIFTP User prompt is "*", signifying the program is ready for the next command. A prompt appears as each command sequence is completed with the NIFTP Server. Prompts will not appear following commands that have only local significance or in which errors are detected.

OPTIONS

ABORT

If a data transfer is not in progress, do nothing. Else, send the NIFTP Server ABORT signal and wait for the connection to be closed from the remote end.

ASCII

The ASCII and IMAGE commands set the mode for subsequent file transfers. The default is ASCII.

BRIEF

The BRIEF and VERBOSE commands control output of detailed commentary dialogue. BRIEF disables this, and VERBOSE enables it. The default is BRIEF.

CONNECT hostname| port|

Set the hostname| and port| for a subsequent file transfer. The hostname| specification is in the form n1,n2,n3,n4, where n1,...,n4 are decimal integers with values in the range 0-255, and the default is the ARPANET host USC-ISID (10,1,0,27). The port| specification is a decimal number in the range 0-32767 with a default of 47 (NIFTP).

GET remotename| localname|

Open a connection to the remote host previously specified by the CONNECT, LOGIN, and ASCII/IMAGE commands. Then transfer the file remotename| on the remote host to localname| on the local host. The remotename| must contain no more than 40 ASCII printing characters, while the localname| must be a valid RT-11 file name or sequential device name. If localname| is missing, assume the string remotename| in its place.

HELP

Display helpful information, including a list of commands.

IMAGE

(see the ASCII command)

LOGIN user| password|

Specify the user| and password| for subsequent data transfers. Both user| and password| must contain no more than 40 ASCII printing characters.

. EXIT

Execute an implied ABORT command and exit to the CLI.

SEND localname| remotename|
Open a connection to the remote host previously specified
by the CONNECT, LOGIN, and ASCII/IMAGE commands. Then
transfer the file localname| on the local host to
remotename| on the remote host. The localname| must be
a valid RT-11 file or sequential device name, while the
remotename| must contain no more than 40 ASCII printing
characters. If remotename| is missing, assume the
string localname| in its place.

SHOW
Display a formatted summary of various quantities of
interest, including the current host, file and block
number.

VERBOSE
(see the BRIEF command)

EXAMPLES
None

PING Internet measurements program

SYNTAX

PING ;invoke PING.SAV
...
QUIT ;exit to CLI

SEMANTICS

The Packet InterNet Groper (PING) is an internet measurement and debugging tool. It can function both as a user and server and normally is run in interactive mode by a user at a DCNET host. PING is designed to send datagrams to cooperating internet hosts and gateways, which echo these datagrams to the sender. The roundtrip delays are then recorded and used to develop summary statistics and histograms. PING is not designed to test throughput capabilities, since only a single datagram is allowed on the roudtrip path. Ordinarily, PING datagrams use the Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP) Echo and Echo Reply messages, since these are echoed by many Internet hosts and gateways, including all those using the DCNET internet software. However, the ICMP datagram formats can be used with other protocol numbers in the IP header.

A PING operation proceeds by first opening an RTP datagram connection with the remote host using the CONNECT command. The PING command is used to begin a volley of ICMP Echo - ICMP Echo Reply exchanges between the local and remote hosts. Roundtrip delay samples are recorded in a buffer capable of holding about 500 samples. Finally, the SHOW command is used to select the format and display the results. The QUIT command is used to exit to the CLI.

OPTIONS

ABORT

Terminate the PING volley and ignore subsequent datagrams.

BRIEF

The BRIEF and VERBOSE commands control output of detailed commentary dialog. BRIEF disables this, and VERBOSE enables it. The default is VERBOSE.

CLOSE

Close the data-collection file.

CONNECT hostname| size| protocol|

Open an RTP datagram connection to hostname| with size| datagrams and protocol| specified. The size| is a decimal integer in the range 36-576 and defaults to 256. The protocol| is a decimal integer in the range 0-255

and defaults to 1 (ICMP).

CREATE filespec|
Create a data-collection file for delay samples. As each ICMP Echo Reply message is received from the network and the roundtrip delay is calculated, the value is written to the file as a 16-bit integer.

DISCONNECT
Execute an implied ABORT command and close the RTP datagram connection.

HELP
Display helpful information, including a list of commands.

OFF code|
The ON and OFF commands are used to set and clear selected options. The ON command enables the selected option and the OFF command disables it. Options supported include:

- DUMP** Controls printing of the IP header (OFF: disable, ON: enable)
- TRACE** Controls printing of the datagram header, including the roundtrip delay and clock offsets (OFF: disable, ON: enable)
- ACK** Controls response to the ICMP Echo datagram (OFF: process, ON: return AN ICMP Echo Reply datagram)

ON code|
(see the OFF command)

OPTION code| hostnamel| hostname2| ...
Specify the Internet source route as the sequence hostnamel| hostname2| ... (up to nine). Set the option code in the IP options field to code| (octal), where code is 203 (loose source route), 207 (record route), or 211 (strict source route).

PING count|
Begin a PING volley with the selected remote host and protocol. The number of roundtrip volleys requested is count|, which defaults to ten.

QUIT
Execute an implied DISCONNECT command and return to the CLI.

RESTART
Resume a PING volley with the select remote host and protocol. This command is useful after a PING datagram has been lost in the network.

SHOW format|
Display a formatted summary of various quantities of interest, including the current host and PING headers. The format| selects the format of the display. If it is SUMMARY, the data printed include the number of volleys

together with the mean, minimum, maximum, and overflow of the samples collected. If it is HISTOGRAM, a histogram of the samples collected is printed.

VERBOSE

(see the BRIEF command)

EXAMPLES

ping

DCN1.ARPA PING User Process (22-Aug-81 Version) 21-May-83

21:13:21

connect 10.1.0.20 40

?INET-I-(PIN)-Open [10.1.0.20]

ping 100

?PING-I-Operation complete

show histogram

Samples: 100 mean: 424 min: 389 max: 658 overflow: 0

Value Count

-----+

350 28 £*****

400 58 £*****

450 7 £*****

500 3 £***

550 2 £**

600 1 £*

650 1 £*

quit

?INET-I-(PIN)-Closed

PIP Peripheral Interchange Program

SYNTAX

```
PIP                       ; invoke PIP.SAV
* filespec [/options] = filespec [/options]
* ...
* ^Z                     ; * is CSI prompt
                         ; exit to CLI
```

SEMANTICS

See the RT-11 System User's Guide

OPTIONS

/A	Copies files in ASCII mode
/B	Copies files in formatted binary mode
/C:date	Includes only files with date
/D	Deletes files
/E	Waits for volume to be mounted before executing the command
/F	Marks output files as protected
/G	Ignores any input errors
/H	Copies files from one large volume to several small volumes
/I:date	Copies only files created on or after date
/J:date	Copies only files created before date
/K:n	Transfers n copies of the output files to a sequential device, such as LP:, PC: or TT:
/M:n	Controls positioning and rewinding of magtape (not supported in BOS/VOS)
/N	Does not copy or rename a file if a file of the same name exists on the output device
/O	Deletes a file on the output device before copying, if a file of a given name already exists
/P	Copies or deletes all files not specified
/Q	Queries before performing operation
/R	Renames input filename to output filename
/S	Copies files one block at a time
/T:date	Puts date on all files copied or renamed
/U	Copies and concatenates specified files
/V	Verifies output file; do not use with /A or /B
/W	Logs operations on console
/Y	Includes .SYS files in operation
/Z	Removes protection from output files
no option	Copies files in image mode

EXAMPLES

None

RUNOFF Text Formatting Program

SYNTAX

```
RUNOFF                                 ; invoke RUNOFF.SAV
* outfile|= infile                 ;* is CSI prompt
*...
*^Z                                 ;exit to CLI
;default extensions:    outfile|.DOC,    infile|.RNO
```

SEMANTICS

RUNOFF command summary:

.B n	Blank lines of length n independent of line spacing
.BR	Break to next line
.C n	Center next line with n characters to right margin
.FG n	Figure size in number of lines
.F	Fill lines for justification mode
.J	Justify lines to right margin setting
.LM n	Left margin set to position n
.NF	No fill or justification off
.NJ	No justification of right margin
.NNM	No numbering of pages
.NM	Number pages
.PS n,m	Paper size n=lines/page m=right margin
.P n	Paragraph with n spaces indented (default=5)
.RM	Right margin set to position n
.S n	Skip n line spacing
.SP n	Spacing of lines 2=double spacing
.UC	Upper case and lower case letters printed

OPTIONS

/B:n	Start printing with page n
/E:n	Stop printing after page n
/F	Simulate FF's with 66 lines/page (uses multi-LF's)
/F:n	Simulate FF's with n lines/page (uses multi-LF's)
/H:NO	Disable hyphenation
/H:YES	Enable hyphenation (default)
/I	Display usage information
/T:A	Output device is an AJ832
/T:D	Output device is a Diablo
/T:N	Output device does not support scripting (default)
/U:B	Underline with spacing-backspace (default)
/U:L	Use overprint-underscore
/U:N	Suppress underlining
/U:S	Simulate with hyphen on next line
/V	Display version of this program
/W	Wait for CR before each page

EXAMPLES
None

SMPSRV Mail Transfer Server Program

SYNTAX

See RFC-821.

SEMANTICS

The SMTP Server is designed to be compatible with the protocol specified in RFC-821. It is invoked by the TELSRV program upon receipt of a TCP connection on port 25. Commands consist of four characters; only the first three of which are significant. Replies consist of a three-digit code; the first of which indicates the status of the request according to the following code:

- 1xx The action requested has begun. Additional server commands can be given to initiate unrelated actions.
- 2xx The action requested has completed successfully.
- 3xx Additional commands are necessary to specify completely the action requested.
- 4xx The action requested was aborted due to an error condition believed to be temporary. The command may be retried at a later time.
- 5xx The action requested was aborted due to an error condition believed to be permanent.

OPTIONS

DATA

This command indicates that the body of the message will follow. Reply code 200 is returned, following which the sender is expected to send the text of the message followed by the sequence CR| LF|. CR| LF|. Reply code 250 is returned at that time.

HELP

Display helpful user information, including a list of FTP Server commands. All but the last line returned have reply code 111. The last line returned has reply code 211.

HELO hostname|

This command is used in the initial dialog to verify that the sender hostname| agrees with its internet address. A reply code in the form

215 hostname|

is returned, where hostname| is the name of the SMTP Server host.

MAIL from: sender|

This command specifies the sender| return route for a message. If the sender| syntax is acceptable, a 200

reply code is returned.

NOOP Do nothing. Reply code 200 is returned.

QUIT Close the connection and exit to the CLI. Reply code 226
 is returned.

RSET This command is used to reset internal buffers in case
 the sender aborts a sequence of commands.

RCPT to: recipient|
 This command specifies a recipient| route for a message.
 If the recipient| syntax is acceptable and the first
 host along the route is known at the SMTP Server host, a
 200 reply code is returned.

EXAMPLES

See RFC-821.

SMTP Mail Transfer User Program

SYNTAX

```
SMTP ;invoke SMTP.SAV
...
QUIT ;exit to CLI
;or
SMTP hostname| routel ;invoke SMTP.SAV, execute an
;implied SEND hostname| routel
;command and exit to CLI upon
;completion
```

SEMANTICS

The Simple Mail Transfer Protocol (SMTP) functions are provided using two programs, the SMTP User and the SMTP Server. The SMTP User runs in interactive mode on a DCNET host. The SMTP Server normally resides at some other host and is activated upon receipt of a TCP connection on port 25. The SMTP User can be controlled by user commands in the same way as the Command Language Interpreter (CLI) and can also be controlled directly by other user programs. It in turn controls the SMTP Server by standardized server commands, with the actions taken indicated by standardized replies. These programs operate with the protocol described in RFC-821 and can be used with other implementations conforming to this protocol.

Mail is sent to recipients at the various internet hosts by the SMTP User program. This program first searches a specified mail file and constructs a data structure including a set of pointers to each recipient mailbox string along with the internet address associated with the recipient host. It then sorts this structure by internet address and, if necessary, constructs a source-route string as specified by the operator. Finally, it connects to each host in turn and sends its messages as required by the host. As delivery to each recipient is confirmed, the SMTP User program overwrites the recipient mailbox string with an acknowledgment code.

It may happen that some messages sent to a host may specify recipients not at that host, in which case these messages must be forwarded to the final destination as required by RFC-821. This would be the case when an operator at a local host wishes to stage a batch of messages at another host for later relay to other hosts not on-line at the moment. In addition, forwarding is also required when the final destination host supports some transport protocol other than TCP, so that an

intermediary supporting both protocols is required. The present system supports two operational modes; in one mail is sent automatically, either directly to the destination or via an intermediate relay, as directed by internal tables; and in the other, it is sent manually according to a source route specified by the operator.

Mail is ordinarily received at a host in unattended mode by the SMTP Server. This program appends each message as it is received to a public, controlled-access mail file called UNSENT.MSG. For those messages addressed to a recipient at the receiving host, the corresponding recipient mailbox string is overwritten with a delivery notice; the remainder are left for later relay by the SMTP User program.

OPTIONS

ABORT

Abort the current mail transfer sequence and close the connection.

BRIEF

The BRIEF and VERBOSE commands control output of detailed commentary dialog. BRIEF disables this and VERBOSE enables it. The default is BRIEF.

HELP

Display helpful information, including a list of commands.

QUIT

Execute an implied ABORT command and exit to the CLI.

SEND

Scan the file filespec| on the local host for unsent messages. Then sort the recipient table by recipient host address. Finally, open SMTP connections to each recipient host in turn and send the messages for that host. The filespec| must refer to a mail file in standard format. The route| specification is optional. If used, it designates the source route in the form:

@HOST1,@HOST2,...,@HOSTn:USER@HOSTn|

SHOW

Display a formatted summary of various quantities of interest, including the current host, file and block number.

VERBOSE

(see the BRIEF command)

EXAMPLES

None

SNDMSG Mail Composition Program

SYNTAX

SNDMSG ;invoke SNDMSG.SAV

...

^Z ;exit to CLI

SNDMSG can also be invoked from MSG by executing one of the commands: s, f, a. If that is the case, ^Z will return to the MSG process.

SEMANTICS

SNDMSG is a module that, together with a MSG, CRMAIL and SMTP, forms an electronic mail system. The purpose of SNDMSG is to create an electronic message and store it in mail file. SMTP is responsible for sending and receiving the messages, MSG examines the messages in the mail file, and CRMAIL creates the mail file.

When SNDMSG is invoked, it first checks if the date is set. If not, it exits printing the message:
Please enter the data.

If the date exists in the system, it proceeds by asking for the name of the output file. The name specified must end with '.MSG'. After the file is successfully open (it has to be in the mail format) the pointer is positioned to the end of the file. The user is prompted with several questions (From:, Subject:, To:, Cc:). After getting the information from the user, to all this questions SNDMSG creates the message and writes it into the mail file.

SNDMSG[RET] - Invokes the sndmsg.sav

Output file name: - enter the name of the mail file

From: - Address of the sender. The address usually has the form 'username@hostaddress'. For more explanation on the semantics of address field, check the RFC-822.

To: - List of the addresses to where the user wants the message to be sent to. Every address is followed by a comma. Addresses can be entered on several lines (folded) with the restriction that one address cannot be folded and that every line except for the last has to be terminated by ','.

cc: - Additional list of recipients which were not included in the 'To:' list. The same rules apply as for the 'To:' field.

Subject: - Title of the message. Enter any character string that fits on one line.

Message: - Enter the text of the message. Changes in the text can only be made to the current line (SNDMSG does not have the capability of the KED). Text of the message also can come from a text file by typing ^B followed by the name of the file or:

^B [RET]

Input file: FILENM.EXT[RET]

To end the text of the message type: '^Z'. At this point the message is created in the file.

The user is prompted with another To: - type ^Z to terminate the session or follow the above mentioned steps to create another message.

^N - will abort the currently typed message

OPTIONS

None

EXAMPLES

None

SPELL

Spelling Correction Program

SYNTAX

```
SPELL ;invoke SPELL.SAV
*[ f1|][, f2|]= f3|[ f4|,...][/options]
*... ;* is CSI prompt
*^Z ;exit to CLI
;default extensions: f1|.LST, f2|.WRD, f3|.RNO,
f4|.RNO
```

SEMANTICS

- f1| Contains all words in source not in dictionary
(optional)
- f2| Contains all words in source and dictionary
(optional)
- f3| Contains words to be checked
- f4| Up to 5 dictionary files (optional)

OPTIONS

- /A API20B file - lines after " are examined
- /C:n Consider only words of |n letters
- /D Dictionaries SY:SPELL.WRD, DK:SPELL.WRD are not used
- /E Every error is printed (not once for each word)
- /F FORTRAN file
- /I Inhibit word matching
- /H Help
- /M MACRO file
- /N:n Output files are limited to n chars per line
- /P Pack 3 errors per line
- /R RUNOFF file
- /S:n Space for |n letters after loading system dictionary
- /T RTL2 file - lines after % are examined
- /U Outputs dictionary in upper case

EXAMPLES

None

SRCCOM Source Compare Program

SYNTAX

```
SRCCOM ;invoke SRCCOM.SAV
*[listfile][,SLPfile]=oldfile,newfile[/options]
*... ;* is CSI prompt
*`z ;exit to CLI
```

SEMANTICS

See the RT-11 System User's Guide

OPTIONS

/A	Specifies audit trail for SLP command file
/B	Compares blank lines
/C	Ignores comments and spacing
/D	Copies newfile to listfile and inserts change bars and bullets at left margin to mark differences
/F	Includes formfeeds in output file
/L:n	Defines number of lines that must agree to constitute a match; n can be 1 to 310; default is 3
/S	Ignores spaces and tabs when comparing
/V:i:d	Defines characters to use as markers for inserts and deletions in place of change bars and bullets; use with /D; i and d are the numeric for the ASCII characters to use

EXAMPLES

None

SYSMGR **Maintain Login File**

SYNTAX

sysmgr ;entered by the user
SYSMGR-Login File Manager (6-17-83) type ? for help
*

SEMANTICS

The SYSMGR command is used to create, update, display and otherwise maintain the standard login file. See also the help information for the LOGIN and LOGOUT commands for additional discussion of the login file and its use.

OPTIONS

After typing the SYSMGR command, the host responds with the herald shown above and then prompts for user input by printing an asterisk. The acceptable input commands to SYSMGR are:

```
?      - prints a listing of the commands,
create - creates a login file, if none already exists,
delete - delete a user name from the login file,
display - display all current login file entries,
enter  - make a new entry to the login file,
quit   - return to the monitor and update the login
          file, if necessary.
```

EXAMPLES

```
.sysmgr
SYSMGR-Login File Manager (6-17-83) Type ? for help
*?
?SYSMGR-I-The following commands are available:
create -create a standard login file if none exists
delete -delete user name from login file
display-display current login file entries
enter -make new entries to the login file
quit -quit executing this program
*create
?SYSMGR-W-Standard login file already exists
*delete
Username: smith
?SYSMGR-W-Specified User (SMITH) not in Login File
*display
User           Private Volume
-----
JONES          DLO:
GROSS          DLO:
*delete
Username: gross
*enter
```

```
Username: gross
Password:
Private Volume: dl3:
*display
User           Private Volume
-----
JONES          DL0:
GROSS          DL3:
*quit
.
monitor        ;return to
```

TCU Timing Control Unit TCU-50

SYNTAX

SETDAT	; set system time and date from TCU
RTCLOK	; set TCU from system time and date

SEMANTICS

The Digital Pathways TCU-50 Timing Control Unit is used in some systems as a time and date reference that retains this information when power is turned off. The SETDAT program can be used to set the time and date from the TCU, while running RT-11 prior to starting the BOS/VOS system. In this case, the time and date are taken from RT-11. After the system has been started, the CLI command TCU can be used. The RTCLOK program can be used to set the TCU from the system time and date, either under RT-11 or BOS/VOS. Note that ordinarily the system tracks network time and date from a selected virtual host, so that these programs are useful only in special cases. Note also that SETDAT does not set the year, so that this must be done by a separate DATE command via the CLI.

OPTIONS

None

EXAMPLES

None

TELSRV Virtual Terminal Server Program

SYNTAX

See RFC-854.

SEMANTICS

In the standard DCNET host configurations, at least one user process is dedicated to TELNET service, although in some configurations there may be more than one of these. The TELNET Server itself contains routines to respond to initial connections, determine the service requested, and then call the required service module.

Services are specified by the TCP port number indicated in the initial connection request. Some functions are provided by the TELNET Server itself. In most configurations, the TELNET Server and service modules are dynamically loaded and share the same virtual address space.

One of the service modules is the Command Language Interpreter (CLI), which interprets commands and provides a functionality similar to that provided by the RT-11 Keyboard Monitor. The CLI can be used to load, debug and run RT-11 system and application programs, including the various network utility programs, such as the TELNET User, FTP User, and others.

In BOS system configurations without hardware relocation features, the TELNET Server is ordinarily enabled in the Background user process. As long as a connection is not open to a foreign host, this process can be used by a local terminal as if the TELNET Server were not present. When a connection request is received, characters output by the process are sent to the remote user and not to the local terminal.

Data are passed between the user and server programs in 8-bit bytes without modification or interpretation. If TELNET negotiations are active, the TELNET interpret-as-control (IAC) character is used to initiate TELNET command sequences. If an IAC is followed immediately by a second one, a single IAC is delivered to the program.

TELNET negotiations (RFC-855) are active for all servers except TALK, TIME, and VCG. The server replies to all DO commands with a WONT, except in the case of ECHO (RFC-857). In this case, the server replies WONT ECHO if the user program is in line (edit) mode, and WILL ECHO if

the user program is in character (non-edit) mode, as indicated by the TTSPC\$ bit (010000) in the Job Status Word. The server replies to all DONT commands with WONT and ignores all WILL and WONT commands.

The server will send an unsolicited WILL ECHO if the TTSPC\$ bit (010000) is changed from zero to one and WONT ECHO if this bit is changed from one to zero. This feature provides a useful way to hide passwords and to run interactive programs, such as EDIT and KED, that switch back and forth between line and character modes.

OPTIONS

DAYTIME (13) Time and date

Provides RFC-867 time and date (in RT-11 format) by executing the implied CLI command DAYTIME.

ECHO (7) Remote loopback

Echoes all received characters to the sender as specified by RFC-862.

FTP (21) File transfer

Invokes the FTP Server program by executing the implied CLI command RUN FTPSRV. See HELP information on SMTP and SMPSRV.

NAME (42) Name server

Invokes name-server program by executing the implied command RUN NAME.

NETSTAT (15) Who-is-up

Provides information on which hosts are up by executing the implied CLI command SET HOST HOST.

NIFTP (47) File transfer

Invokes NIFTP User program by executing the implied CLI command RUN NIFTP. See HELP information on NIFTP.

QOD (17) Quote-of-the-day

Provides a scurrilous who-are-you function compatible with RFC-865.

SINK (9) Discard

Discards all received characters as specified RFC-863.

SMTP (25) Mail transfer

Invokes the SMTP Server program by executing the implied CLI command RUN SMPSRV. See HELP information on SMTP and SMPSRV!

TALK (87) Terminal intercom

The server first produces a prompt message inviting a device and mode specification. The user enters first the logical device name (default is TT) and then the mode (ASCII or IMAGE). The server then switches to that device and enters transparent mode. Note that the mode specification applies only to the device itself, since data are transferred between the user and server programs as 8-bit uninterpreted bytes.

TELNET (23) Virtual terminal

Provides RT-11 services described in HELP information.

TEST (19) Character generator

Generates a test message continuously until the connection is closed by the remote host as specified by RFC-864. Executes the implied CLI command TEST 1000.

TIME (37) Time server

Provides time in seconds from 0000 UT 1 January 1900 as specified by RFC-868.

TN (107) Virtual terminal

Invokes TELNET User program by executing the implied CLI command RUN TN. See HELP information on TN.

VCG (127) Peritek VCG display

Invokes Peritek User program by executing the implied CLI command RUN VCGSRV.

EXAMPLES

See RFC-854.

TERMINAL Terminal Process Commands

SYNTAX

SET devname| command| argument| ;CLI command

SEMANTICS

See USER process commands and GENERAL help information

The terminal process is the interface between the system and the operator. This process, suitably configured, can also be used for line printer support and for connection to other machines. Each process (actually a pair of cooperating processes that appears as a single unit) controls one terminal and is capable of routing input data to one of four destination processes as controlled by escape sequences.

A terminal process operates in either ASCII or IMAGE mode. In IMAGE mode all bytes are copied between system buffers and the terminal unmodified and uninterpreted. In addition, a terminal process can be configured either to emulate a DCE for a connected terminal or to emulate a DTE for a connected machine. In DTE mode, the byte is discarded unless the device is in use (unless a busy bit is set in the options word). Optional features use DC1 and DC3 characters to control both input and output flows.

In ASCII mode on input, bit 8 (the parity bit) is stripped. In DTE mode, all bytes received from the device are placed unchanged in the input buffer. In DCE mode a LF is inserted following a CR. In addition, an escape code (normally defaulted to DLE) causes the low-order two bits to select channels 0-3 as defined by the command-language interpreter. Other control functions are interpreted as follows:

DC3	stop output
DC1	start output
ETX	interrupt process

DC1 and DC3 are not included in the input buffer. ETX is included in the buffer. If the input buffer is over 3/4 full, DC3 is sent by the output side and the driver enters the flow-control condition. In this condition, if the input buffer is under 1/4 full, DC1 is sent by the output side, and the driver leaves the flow-control condition. If the input buffer overflows, BEL is sent by the output side.

In ASCII mode on output, the parity bit is assumed to have been stripped by the sender. In this mode, an EOT character will generate a long-space (break) condition if enabled by a bit in the options word. In DTE mode, an LF immediately following a CR is discarded, and all other bytes are transmitted unaltered to the device. In DCE mode, the byte is interpreted as follows:

BS	decrement column counter
HT	fill SP to the next tab stop (fixed at every eight columns)
LF	advance line counter by one
FF	reset line counter
CR	reset column counter

Codes 000-037 and 177 (other than the above) do not affect column or line counters. Codes 040-176 advance the column counter by one. If the right margin is exceeded a CR-LF sequence is inserted preceding the byte. If the bottom margin is exceeded, an FF is inserted following the byte.

OPTIONS

ASG logname| filespec|
If filespec| is a physical direct-access device, amend the device table so as to associate the logical name logname| with this device. If filespec| is a file, associate the logical name logname| with a virtual-volume file of that name (see VOLUMES help information). If filespec| is missing, remove the logname| entry from the device table. Note that the format of this command is different from the RT-11 ASSIGN command.

CMD

List the available commands. Additional information is available with the HELP program.

DELAY timeout|

Set the CR delay to timeout| (milliseconds). The default is zero (no delay).

ESCAPE code|

Set the escape character code to code|, which is an octal integer in the range 000-177. The default is 020 (^P).

DEVICE logname|

Display a formatted summary of the device table, which establishes the association between the logical and physical names of each process together with additional data. If logname| is a valid logical name, the data associated with that process is displayed. If logname| is defaulted, the entire table is displayed.

MARGIN column|

Set the right margin to column|. The default is zero (no margin).

OFF code|

The ON and OFF commands can be used to set and clear bits in the options word of the parameter area associated with the process. The ON command sets the option bits corresponding to the one bits of code| (which is an octal value) to one; while the OFF command sets these bits to to zero. Options for the terminal process are as follows:

- 0 DCE/DTE mode (OFF: DCE, ON: DTE)
- 1 ASCII/IMAGE mode (OFF: ASCII, ON: IMAGE)
- 3 Flow-control (OFF: enable, ON: disable)
- 4 EOT-break (OFF: enable, ON: disable)
- 15 Device enable (OFF: free, ON: in use)

ON code|

PAGE line|

Set the bottom margin to line|. The default is zero (no margin).

SHOW

Display a formatted summary of various quantities of interest.

SPEED code|

Set the device-register bits for speed selection to code|. The interpretation of code| is device-specific.

EXAMPLES

.set tt0 cmd

Commands are:

CMD	SHO	ON	OFF	ASG	DEV	ESC	MAR
PAG	SPE	DEL					

.set tt0 show

Process type: 000004 options: 000000

Right margin (MARGIN): 0

Bottom margin (PAGE): 0

Intercept char (ESC): 020

Return delay (DELAY): 0

Data rate (SPEED): 100

Special bits (TAPE): 000

TN Virtual Terminal User Program

SYNTAX

TN	:invoke TN.SAV
...	
QUIT	;exit to CLI
	;or
TN hostname port	;invoke TN.SAV and execute an
port	;implied CONNECT hostname
...	;command
QUIT	;exit to CLI

SEMANTICS

The virtual-terminal protocol (TELNET) functions are provided using two programs, the TELNET User and the TELNET Server. The TELNET User runs in interactive mode on a DCNET host. The TELNET Server normally resides at some other host and is activated upon receipt of a TCP connection on port 23. The TELNET User is an interface to the Command Language Interpreter (CLI) and RT-11 Emulator and provides the same set of functions available to users at local terminals. These programs operate with the protocol described in RFC-854 and can be used with other implementations conforming to this protocol.

The TELNET User operates in one of two modes: command mode, in which commands are interpreted from the local terminal and executed on the local host; and transparent mode, in which all characters from the local terminal are transmitted directly to the remote server. In either mode, characters are transmitted directly from the remote server to the local terminal along with responses and other data that may be produced by the TELNET User itself.

Operation is in the command mode until a CONNECT command is executed, operation then continues in the transparent mode. If the connection is closed by the remote server, operation resumes in the command mode. In addition, a limited set of commands can be executed while in the transparent mode by means of an escape sequence, which begins with an escape character code that initially is set to 037 (produced by the control- ζ function on DEC keyboards) and can be changed by the ESCAPE command. Following the escape character must be a single-character command interpreted as follows:

- | | |
|---|---|
| C | Close the connection and return to command mode |
| I | Send an interrupt sequence to the remote server |

X Resume command mode (use the TELNET command to
 return to transparent mode)
control-q Transmit the escape character itself to the
 remote server

Data are passed between the user and server programs in 8-bit bytes without modification or interpretation. If TELNET negotiations are active, the TELNET interpret-as-control (IAC) character is used to initiate TELNET command sequences. If an IAC is followed immediately by a second one, a single IAC is delivered to the program.

TELNET negotiations, when active, are used to establish the options for each instance of each connection. Only two options are used: suppress-go-ahead SUGA (RFC-858) and remote-echo ECHO (RFC-857). If TELNET negotiations are enabled when the connection is first opened, the TELNET User will send a DO SUGA command and either a DO ECHO or DONT ECHO command, depending upon whether the ECHO REMOTE or ECHO LOCAL modes are in effect. Thereafter, the program will send DO ECHO or DONT ECHO as required when the ECHO mode is changed. The program will reply WONT to any DO or DONT command and will ignore a WONT command. A WILL ECHO command will force operation in the remote-echo/edit mode if the ECHO REMOTE mode is in effect, otherwise the program will reply DONT ECHO. A WONT ECHO command will force operation in the local-echo/edit mode in any case.

Facilities are included to send and receive files in conjunction with virtual-terminal operations. In addition, the Peritek VCG bit-map display with color monitor is supported. This device can be used to display data received from the remote server in either Tektronix-compatible format or bit-map format.

The TELNET User prompt is "*", signifying the program is ready for the next CONNECT command. Prompts will not appear following commands which have only local significance or in which errors are detected.

OPTIONS
ASCII

The ASCII and IMAGE commands set the mode for subsequent file transfers. The default is ASCII.

BRIEF

The BRIEF and VERBOSE commands control output of detailed commentary dialog. BRIEF disables this and VERBOSE enables it. The default is BRIEF.

CLOSE

Write the current buffer to the script file and close it.

CONNECT hostname| port|

Open a TELNET connection to `hostname|` with `port|` specified. The `port|` is a decimal integer in the range 0-255 or one of the service names specified in the table below. Following this command, operation continues in the transparent mode until either an escape sequence or the connection is closed by the remote server. Each instance of each connection is characterized by a selection of three interacting modes of operation: (1) whether TELNET negotiations are active (see the ON/OFF TELNET commands), (2) transmit mode (see the TRANSMIT command) and (3) echo mode (see the ECHO command). If `port|` is specified by integer, the default settings are OFF (TELNET), LINE (TRANSMIT), and LOCAL (ECHO), as modified by explicit ON/OFF TELNET, TRANSMIT, and ECHO commands. If `port|` is specified by service name, the settings are as given in the table. If `port|` is defaulted, TELNET (23) is assumed and the settings are as given for TELNET in the table.

Name	Port	TELNET	TRANS	ECHO	Function
ECHO	7	OFF	LINE	LOCAL	loopback
SINK	9	OFF	LINE	LOCAL	discard
SYSTAT	11	OFF	LINE	LOCAL	who-is-on
DAYTIME	13	OFF	LINE	LOCAL	time and date
NETSTAT	15	OFF	LINE	LOCAL	who-is-up
QOD	17	OFF	LINE	LOCAL	quote-of-day
TEST	19	OFF	LINE	LOCAL	char generator
FTP	21	OFF	LINE	LOCAL	file transfer
TELNET	23	ON	LINE	REMOTE	virtual term
SMTP	25	ON	LINE	REMOTE	mail transfer
TIME	37	OFF	CHAR	NONE	time server
NAME	42	OFF	CHAR	NONE	name server
WHOIS	43	OFF	LINE	LOCAL	NIC who-is
MPM	45	OFF	LINE	LOCAL	mail transfer
NIFTP	47	OFF	LINE	LOCAL	file transfer
FINGER	79	OFF	LINE	LOCAL	who-is-there
TALK	87	OFF	CHAR	LOCAL	term intercom
LINK	87	OFF	CHAR	NONE	proc intercom
NICNAME	101	OFF	LINE	LOCAL	NIC name server
CSNAME	103	OFF	LINE	LOCAL	CSNET who-is
TN	107	OFF	LINE	LOCAL	virtual term
VCG	127	OFF	LINE	LOCAL	VCG display

DISCONNECT

Close the TELNET connection.
ECHO mode|

Set the echo mode to `mode`, which can be one of the following:

`LOCAL` Characters are echoed locally
`NONE` Characters are not echoed
`REMOTE` Characters are echoed by the remote host

See the CONNECT command for defaults. All remote hosts must support LOCAL mode, but some (including DCNET hosts) may not support REMOTE mode. If TELNET negotiations are active, and REMOTE mode has been specified but refused by the remote host, the mode will be changed automatically to LOCAL without informing the user. REMOTE mode is not effective if TELNET negotiations are not active or are in LINE mode (see the TRANSMIT command), in which characters are always echoed locally.

`ESCAPE code` |

Set the escape character code to `code`, which is an octal integer in the range 000-177. The default is 037 (^ç).

`HELP`

Display helpful information, including a list of commands.

`IMAGE`

(see the ASCII command)

`OFF code` |

The ON and OFF commands are used to set and clear selected options. The ON command enables the selected option and the OFF command disables it. Options supported include:

`SCRIPT` Controls data transfer to script file (OFF:
 disable,

 ON: enable)

`SEND` Controls data transfer from the send file (OFF:
 disable, ON: enable)

`TELNET` Controls TELNET option negotiation (OFF:
 disable, ON: enable)

`TERMINAL` Controls data transfer to operator terminal
(OFF: disable, ON: enable)

`VCG` Controls data transfer to the Peritek VCG display
(OFF: disable, ON: enable)

`ON code` |

(see the OFF command)

`QUIT`

Execute an implied DISCONNECT command and exit to the CLI.

`ROUTE hostname1| hostname2| ...`

Specify the Internet source route as the sequence

hostnamel| hostname2| ... (up to nine).

SCRIPT filespec|
Begin recording in the file filespec| a copy of all data received over the TELNET connection from the remote host. The data recorded include local echoes, if selected by the operator or negotiated via the TELNET protocol. Recording can be suspended and resumed using the OFF SCRIPT and ON SCRIPT commands as required. The file is closed and made permanent using the CLOSE command. All eight bits of each octet are recorded without interpretation or modification.

SEND filespec|
Begin sending the data contained in the file filespec| over the TELNET connection to the remote host. Transmission can be suspended and resumed using the OFF SEND and ON SEND commands as required and is terminated by end-of-file. Data can be transmitted in ASCII or IMAGE modes using the corresponding commands.

SHOW
Display a formatted summary of various quantities of interest, including the current host, file and block number.

TELNET
Resume transparent mode. Subsequent data received from the terminal will be sent to the remote host.

TRANSMIT mode|
Set the transmit mode to mode|, which can be one of the following:
CHARACTER Request transmit on each character (line editing inactive)
LINE Request transmit on end-of-line (line editing active)
See the CONNECT command for defaults. If TELNET negotiations are active, the mode is set automatically to CHARACTER if the REMOTE echo mode is successfully negotiated with the remote host and LINE otherwise. In either mode, each transmit request is subject to a one-second packetization timeout; that is, following transmission of a data segment a subsequent data segment will not be transmitted until the timeout has expired. Line-editing characters are identical to those used for ordinary local terminals (see INFORMATION help information).

VCG foreground| background| factor| font| mode|
Set the options for the Peritek VCG display as follows:

foreground| Foreground color (see following table),
default: 7
background| Background color (see following table),
default: 0

```
factor|      Character magnification factor, default:  
           1  
font|      Character font (0: 5 x 7 ASCII, 1: 7 x  
           9 ASCII, 2: 7 x 9 Cyrillic), default: 0  
model|      Mode (4: bit-map, 5: Tektronix vector,  
           7: Tektronix alphanumeric), default 7
```

The color map for foreground| and background| specifications is as follows:

```
0      Black  
1      Magenta  
2      Cyan  
3      Yellow  
4      Blue  
5      Green  
6      Red  
7      White
```

Note that these quantities can also be set via the data stream as interpreted by the Peritek VCG support software.

VERBOSE

(see the BRIEF command)

EXAMPLES

```
tn dcn2  
DCN2.ARPA RT-11 Service (31-Dec-82 Version) 21-May-83  
.test  
!$#$'()*+,.-./0123456789:: =|?@ABCDEFGHIJKLMNPQRSTUVWXYZ  
[]^ .quit  
tn dcn2 talk  
DCN2.ARPA TALK Service (15-May-83 Version) 21-May-83  
Enter device name and mode (default is operator):  
Terminal link to TTO:  
hello - this is dcn6  
hello - this is dcn2  
DCN2.ARPA Closing
```

USER User Process Commands

SYNTAX

command| argument|

SEMANTICS

The CLI is invoked automatically upon exit from an application program. It is used to invoke application programs, to inspect system status variables, and to perform housekeeping functions. Commands consist of a name, only the first three characters of which are significant, followed by a list of arguments separated by spaces and terminated by CR|. If the name does not represent a valid command, an attempt is made to invoke an application program of that name as in the R command. All numbers are decimal unless indicated otherwise.

OPTIONS

ALTER bgnadr| value| ...

Alter words of memory beginning at bgnadr| (octal) to contain the values specified (octal). See the BASE command for operation with virtual systems.

ASG logname| filespec|

Amend the device table so as to associate the logical name logname| with the physical device or file filespec|. If filespec| is missing remove the logname| entry from the device table. See VOLUMES help information for further details. Note that the format of this command is different from the RT-11 ASSIGN command.

BASE pid|

Set the virtual space for DISPLAY and ALTER commands to the process pid|. If pid| is missing, assume the process interpreting the command.

CMD

List the available commands. Additional information is available with the HELP program.

DATE date|

The TIME and DATE commands can be used to set the system time and date as specified in RT-11 format. If the argument is missing, simply display the current values. Note that ordinarily the system tracks network time and date from a selected virtual host; therefore, these commands are useful only in special cases.

DEVICE logname|

Display a formatted summary of the device table, which establishes the association between the logical and physical names of each process together with additional data. If logname| is a valid logical name, the data associated with that process is displayed. If logname| is defaulted, the entire table is displayed.

DISPLAY bgnadr| nwords|
Display nwords| (octal) of memory beginning at bgnadr| (octal). The output format is eight words per line preceded by the address of the first word. See the BASE command for operation with virtual systems.

LOAD filespec| argument|
Read an RT-11 background load module from filespec| into working storage. The default device is DK: and the default extension is .SAV. Note that working storage must contain sufficient space to hold both the load module and the CLI itself (otherwise use the RUN command). If argument| is given, it is copied (without the CR| and with a trailing zero byte) in the chain area starting at location 512 with a count of the number of characters in location 510. In this case the chain bit (bit 8) is set in the job status word.

OFF code|
The ON and OFF commands can be used to set and clear bits in the options word of the parameter area associated with the process. The ON command sets the option bits corresponding to the one bits of code| (which is an octal value) to one, while the OFF command sets these bits to zero. Options for the user process are as follows:

0 ." prompt (OFF: enable, ON: disable)
1 TELSRV server (OFF: disable, ON: enable)

ON code|
(see the OFF command)

OUT logname|
Redirect terminal output to the sequential device with logical name logname|. If logname| is missing, assume the name TT:.

PSA pid|
Display the state vector (PSA area) of the process pid|. If pid| is missing, assume the process interpreting the command. The output format is as described under the DISPLAY command.

QUIT
Exit CLI and close TELNET server connection, if applicable.

R filespec| argument|
This command is identical to the RUN command, except that the default device is SY:..

RESET
Panic reset. Reinitialize the system and all of its processes.

RUN filespec| argument|
This command is a combination of the LOAD and START

commands with the implied start address as specified by the load module. The CLI can be overlaid by the load module with this command, so the space restriction of the LOAD command does not apply.

SET devname| command| argument|

This command provides access to the parameter areas associated with the process devname|. The function to be performed is specified by the pair command| argument|, where command| is interpreted depending on the process type. For instance, if devname| specifies a user process, command| can be any command listed in this section. The commands recognized in the case of other processes are summarized in separate HELP topics. Note that the SET, SHOW, ON, OFF and ASG commands described in this section are generally applicable to all processes.

SHOW devname|

Display a formatted summary of various quantities of interest. If devname| is missing, a table of all processes is displayed.

START bgnadr|

Start a previously-read load module at location bgnadr| (octal).

TCU

Set the system time and date from the Digital Pathways TCU-50 Timing Control Unit (special hardware). Note that ordinarily the system tracks network time and date from a selected virtual host, so that this command is useful only in special cases. Note also that this command does not set the year, therefore, this must be performed by a separate DATE command.

TEST count|

Display a test line count| times. If count| is missing, assume a value of one.

TIME time|

(see the DATE command)

EXAMPLES

.cmd

Commands are:

CMD	SHO	ON	OFF	TIM	DAT	DAY	TCU
ASG	OUT	DEV	SET	BAS	ALT	DIS	RES
PSA	TES	QUI	RUN	STA	LOA		

.devices

LDN	Name	Proc	PortID	Type	Size
000	TT	TTO	034	000004	000000
001	SY	DLO	044	000200	047704
002	DK	DLO	044	000200	047704
003	DYO	DYO	042	000200	001734

004	DLO	DLO	044	000200	047704
005	DLL	DL1	044	000600	047704
006	DL2	DL2	044	001200	047704
007	LP	TT1	040	000004	000000
010	NS	NSP	024	100032	060000
011	NAM	NAM	026	000032	060000
012	GAT	GAT	030	000032	030000
013	LOG	TTO	034	000004	000000
014	TLK	TTO	034	000004	000000

.show

Proc	PortID	Type	Size	VecAddr	RegAddr	Option
HOS	000	000030	100000	000000	000000	111001
DC6	002	000026	000400	000000	000000	000000
LHO	006	000027	000400	000310	176510	040000
LH1	012	C00027	000400	000320	176520	040000
VMO	014	000002	120000	001000	000000	000000
VM1	016	000002	120000	002200	000000	000000
VM2	020	000002	110000	003400	000000	000000
VM3	022	000002	120000	004500	000000	000002
NSP	024	100032	060000	005700	000000	000000
NAM	026	000032	060000	006500	000000	000000
GAT	030	000032	030000	007300	000000	000000
TTO	034	000004	000000	000060	177560	000000
TT1	040	000004	000000	000300	176500	000021
DY0	042	000200	001734	000264	177170	000000
DLO	044	000200	047704	000160	174400	000000
DL1	044	000600	047704	000000	000000	000000
DL2	044	001200	047704	000000	000000	000000

.test

:!" \$%`()*+,.-./0123456789:; =|?@ABCDEFGHIJKLMNPQRSTUVWXYZ
[]^

VOLUMES Virtual Volumes

SYNTAX

```
ASG logname| filespec| ;CLI command
```

SEMANTICS

The virtual volumes feature allows logical volumes to be encapsulated as RT-11 files on any direct-access physical device. The feature is similar to that provided by the XD handler distributed by DECUS, but is integrated into the operating system. Private volumes can be assigned to the DK: device or any other RT-11 logical device except SY: (which should never be reassigned).

Once assigned, the virtual volume can be accessed just like any other physical volume: files can be created and deleted, and the volume can be initialized, squeezed, or even scanned for bad blocks. Since the volume is, in fact, an ordinary file on the physical device, it can be copied to and from other media, particularly floppy disks, for archiving. It is important to observe that the file cannot be deleted or copied, and the physical volume cannot be squeezed if the file is assigned and in active use, since this could lead to corruption of other files on the physical device.

For the purposes of archiving to a floppy disk, the file should be created with a size of 494 blocks for the RX01 or 988 blocks for the RX02. Following is a command sequence that creates a file and copies an RX02 volume to it (the file must not exist prior to this):

```
DUP                                                                          ;invoke DUP.SAV  
* filespec|/f=dy0:                                                          ;* is CSI prompt  
filespec|/Copy; Are you sure? Y ;Y is confirmation  
*^Z                                                                                  ;exit to CLI
```

Following is a command sequence that copies a file to an RX02 volume (the original contents of the volume will be destroyed):

```
DUP                                                                          ;invoke DUP.SAV  
*dy0:a= filespec|/i                                                          ;* is CSI prompt, a is a  
                                                                                        ;dummy file (not used)  
DY0:/Copy; Are you sure? Y ;Y is confirmation  
*^Z                                                                                  ;exit to CLI
```

OPTIONS

None

EXAMPLES

None

WATCH SIMP monitoring program

SYNTAX

WATCH	; invoke WATCH.SAV
...	
QUIT	;exit to CLI

SEMANTICS

The SIMP Monitoring program (WATCH) formats and displays monitoring reports received from the SATNET Satellite IMP (SIMP) located at each ground station. It runs in interactive mode on a DCNET host. Following is a summary of monitoring report formats:

HELLO Packet Report format

Hello = (b) e, g, t, c, r, f

b Total HELLO packets received in the past 64 frames which have a bad hardware checksum

e Total of Etam's HELLO packets missed in the past 64 frames

g Total of Goonhilly's HELLO packets missed in the past 64 frames

t Total of Tanum's HELLO packets missed in the past 64 frames

c Total of Clarksburg's HELLO packets missed in the past 64 frames

r Total of Raisting's HELLO packets missed in the past 64 frames

f Total of Fucino's HELLO packets missed in the past 64 frames

PROGRAM Status Report format

p STR=a R=b BCK=c (A1 A2 A3 M C N loops)

p Current channel protocol (CPODA, FPODA, FTDMA)

a Number of streams in existence

b Nominal receive rate, kb/sec (64, 32, 16)

c Average number of background passes per virtual slot

Displayed switches:

A1 First access control parameter is on (preventing channel access)

A2 Second access control parameter is on

A3 Third access control parameter is on

M One or more message generator components are on

C Cumstats are being sent to a host

N One or more noise gates are on

OI Satellite channel looped by Simp internally (within Simp)

OX Satellite channel looped by Simp externally (Simp

signals for loop within SSI)

OL Satellite channel looped, but not by Simp

4I Line to host 1 looped by Simp internally

4X Line to host 1 looped by Simp externally (Simp signals
for loop within modem)

4L Line to host 1 looped, but not by Simp

2I,2X,2L Same as 1I,1X,1L but for host 2

CHANNEL Traffic Report format

E=a/b/c S=d*e/f/g*h C=i/j/k/lc/ls DS=m/n/p DR=q/r/s

a Packets received with bad hardware checksum, bad
software header checksum

b Packets received with bad hardware checksum, good
software header checksum

c Hello packets received

d Hello frames out of frame sync

e PODA frames in datagram in-sync res-sync state

f PODA frames in datagram out-of-sync res-sync state

g PODA frames in datagram initial acquisition res-sync
state

h PODA frames in stream sending-for-Help state

i Others' control packets heard

j Own control packets heard

k Control packets sent

lc Fraction of total bandwidth (including HELLO subframe)
used for control subframes

ls Fraction of total bandwidth used for streams

m Messages timed out in CPM

n Data packet retransmissions

p Data packet first transmissions

q Acceptable data packets heard for me, but discarded
because of buffer shortage or host output queue full

r Acceptable data packets heard for me, accepted

s Acceptable data packets heard for others

HOST Traffic Report format

PS = a/b PR = c/d HI = e/f MS = g/h/i MR = j/k

a Data packet retransmissions

b Data packet first transmissions

c Packets received with hardware errors

d Good data packets received

e Hello packets received

f I-heard-you packets received

g Messages discarded from host output queue because
holding time exceeded

h Messages sent but refused by host

i Messages sent

j Received messages discarded

k Received messages accepted

TIMING Timing Report format

RTT=a/b GT=c/d

- a Last Round-Trip-Time difference from previous Global-Time update
- b Max Round-Trip-Time difference from previous Global-Time update
- c Last Global-Time difference from previous Global-Time update
- d Max Global-Time difference from previous Global-Time update

OPTIONS

BRIEF

The BRIEF and VERBOSE commands control output of detailed commentary dialog. BRIEF disables this and VERBOSE enables it. The default is VERBOSE.

CONNECT simpid|

Open an RTP datagram connection to simpid|. The set of simpids| recognized presently includes:

CLA	Clarksburg, MD (COMSAT Labs)
ETA	Etam, WV (USA)
FUC	Fucino (Italy)
GOO	Goonhilly Downs (UK)
RAI	Raisting (West Germany)
TAN	Tanum (Sweden)

DISCONNECT simpid|

Close the RTP datagram connection for simpid|.

HELP

Display helpful information, including a list of commands.

OFF simpid| code|

The ON and OFF commands are used to set and clear various options. The ON command enables the selected option and the OFF command disables it. Options supported include:

ALL	christmas tree
CHANNEL	channel status line
HELLO	hello line
HOST	host status line
POLL	poll response line
PROGRAM	program status line
TEST	test and monitoring line
TIMING	rtt line
TRAP	trap report line

ON simpid| code|

(see the OFF command)

PORT simpid| address|

Set the internet address associated with simpid| to

address|. The format of the address| field is four decimal integers.

QUIT

Close all RTP connections and exit to the CLI.

SHOW format|

Display a formatted summary of various quantities of interest, including the current host and WATCH headers.

VERBOSE

(see the BRIEF command)

EXAMPLES

None

XNET Internet Loader/Debugger Program

SYNTAX

XNET	;invoke XNET.SAV
...	
QUIT	;exit to CLI

SEMANTICS

The Internet Loader/Debugger program (XNET) is designed to support remotely located internet processors such as gateways, port expanders, and hosts. It can function both as a user and server and normally is run in interactive mode by a user at a DCNET host. XNET communicates with the remote processor using XNET datagrams and a protocol described in IEN-158. The remote processor must contain an XNET bootstrap or server program, either in ROM or in protected memory.

DCNET host configurations that do not include a disk ordinarily include a special hardware module built by SRI International and called the Robustness Card. This module contains an XNET bootstrap in ROM, along with a watchdog timer that forces entry to the bootstrap if not reset within a timeout interval. Those DCNET host configurations that do include a disk presently include a software module that forces a master reset upon arrival of an XNET datagram of specified type. The master reset reinitializes all hardware and software components, but does not reload the system.

The DCNET XNET program is compatible with the XNET4 program on some TOPS-20 ARPANET service hosts. With respect to the TOPS-20 program, the DCNET host appears as an ordinary XNET bootstrap, except that the "memory" loaded by the TOPS-20 program is, in fact, a file. Thus, load modules cross-compiled and cross-linked on the TOPS-20 system can be transmitted to the DCNET host and stored for later use.

A XNET operation proceeds by first opening an RTP datagram connection with the remote host using the CONNECT command. If opened in the active mode, XNET will send an XNET message with the command field set to 0 (NOP) to the remote bootstrap in order to reset its state variables. Next, the CREATE or OPEN commands are used to establish a memory-image file for use as a cache. Using the EXAMINE and DEPOSIT commands the user can exchange data between the remote memory and the cache. In addition, the user can display and alter the cache contents with the DISPLAY and ALTER commands. The

REGISTER command can be used to set the remote registers, including the stack pointer and program counter, and the START command to start the remote program.

If opened in the passive mode, XNET waits for an XNET datagram from another host, possibly the TOPS-20 XNET4 program or the SRI Robustness Card ROM program. A local file previously opened is then manipulated by the remote user as if the file were local memory.

XNET stores memory images in RT-11 files, which are block-structured with a block size of 512 bytes and can be randomly accessed by block. In addition, memory images (not overlays) produced by the RT-11 linker can be used. The XNET program accesses memory images using a cache buffer that is loaded automatically from the file by a memory image reference and is written back to the file by a memory image reference outside the buffer or when the file is closed.

OPTIONS

ABORT

Terminate the current operation and ignore subsequent datagrams.

ALTER bgnadr| value| ...

Alter words of the memory image beginning at bgnadr| to contain the values specified.

BRIEF

The BRIEF and VERBOSE commands control output of detailed commentary dialog. BRIEF disables this and VERBOSE enables it. The default is VERBOSE.

CLOSE

Write the current buffer to the memory-image file and close the file.

CONNECT hostname| maxsize| protocol|

Open an RTP datagram connection to hostname| with size| datagrams and protocol| specified. The size| is a decimal integer in the range 36-576 and defaults to 256. The protocol| is a decimal integer in the range 0-255 and defaults to 15 (XNET).

CREATE filespec|

The CREATE and OPEN commands close the existing file, if necessary, then create (a new file) or open (an existing file) filespec| as a memory image. The filespec| can include the size of the file in blocks. Each block contains 256 PDP11 words, so that the maximum size (also the default) is 128 blocks.

DEPOSIT bgnadr| nwords|

Write nwords| of the memory image beginning at bgnadr| to the remote processor. The contents of the memory

image are not affected.

DISPLAY bgnadr| nwords|
Display nwords| of the memory image beginning at bgnadr|. The output format is eight words per line, preceded by the address of the first word. The contents of the memory image are not affected.

EXAMINE bgnadr| nwords|
Read nwords| from the remote processor beginning at bgnadr| to the memory image.

DISCONNECT
Execute an implied ABORT command and close the RTP datagram connection.

HELP
Display helpful information, including a list of commands.

OPEN filespec|
(see the CREATE command)

PURGE
Purge the memory-image file and suppress any further modifications to it.

QUIT
Execute an implied DISCONNECT command and exit to the CLI.

REGISTER register| value|
Write value| to the register| area in the remote processor, which will be used to initialize the corresponding general register when the program is started. The value for register| must be in the range 0-7.

RESTART
Resend the last XNET message. This command is useful after a XNET datagram has been lost in the network.

SHOW format|
Display a formatted summary of various quantities of interest, including the current host and XNET headers.

START
Send the START XNET message to the remote processor. The remote bootstrap will reply to this message, wait a second or two, then plunge into the program using the general register contents previously set by the REGISTER command.

VERBOSE
(see the BRIEF command)

XNET code|
Send a XNET message to the remote processor with the command field set to code|. The code| defaults to 1 (debug process) and, if sent to a DCNET host, will cause that host to perform a system reset.

EXAMPLES

```
xnet
DCN6.ARPA XNET User Process (25-Apr-81 Version) 21-May-83
connect dcn2
?INET-I-(XNT)-Open [128.4.0.2]
?XNET-I-Message 010037 000000 000100 000000 000000
create x.y
?XNET-I-File open DK:X.Y[1000]
display 0 10
000000 000000 000000 000000 000000 000000 000000
000000
alter 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
display 0 10
000000 000001 000002 000003 000004 000005 000006 000007
000000
deposit 0 10
?XNET-I-Operation complete
alter 0 7 6 5 4 3 2 1
display 0 10
000000 000007 000006 000005 000004 000003 000002 000001
000000
examine 0 10
?XNET-I-Operation complete
display 0 10
000000 000001 000002 000003 000004 000005 000006 000007
000000
purge
?XNET-F-File purged
quit
?INET-I-(XNT)-Closed
```